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Councillors accused of 'bullying'

TWO Lyme Regis councillors have been accused of "bullying and harassment" - both inside and outside the council chamber.

The accusation against councillors Owen Lovell and Ken Meech, two of the council's most experienced members, was made by former mayor Sally Holman.

Speaking at a highly charged meeting of Lyme Regis Town Council on Wednesday of last week, Councillor Holman alleged that she was "ver-

bally assaulted" by councillors Meech and Lovell in the council car park at a previous meeting.

She said they cornered her over her support for

Lyme Regis Development Trust's intention to retain ownership of the Church Street premises, which houses the InSPARATION Cafe, instead of selling the

By Philip Evans

building and putting the money towards the cost of renovating the club for young people, a policy she supports.

Councillor Holman said she would be calling on the Mayor, Councillor Michaela Ellis, to ensure that such behaviour did not happen again.

Councillor Lovell said that in 33 years as a councillor he had had some "trying times" but he had never been accused of "harassment".

He advised Councillor Holman "to get out of the kitchen if she could not stand the heat".

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BEAMINSTER town clerk Christine Bright has
lived in Hawkchurch near Axminster all her
life.

Before joining the staff at Beaminster Town
Council, she worked as the finance officer for
Lyme Regis Town Council for many years.

When not working in Beaminster, Christine
likes to go walking and is close to completing
a personal challenge to walk the entire South
West Coast Path.

Here she talks about her walking challenge,
her plans for Christmas and what she has
most enjoyed in Beaminster this year.

Christine lives in Hawkchurch with her hus-
band David and sons Daniel and Martin, while
her daughter Lisa lives just up the road.

■ WHAT have been your highlights in Beaminster this year?

Sadly I am not a resident of Beaminster but in my position as town clerk I am committed to assisting members of the town council to achieve the best they possibly can for the town and this year the biggest achievement is the opening of the new pavilion in the Memorial Playing Field, made possible by the hard working and dedicated members of the Beaminster Community Centre Partnership. The Square in the centre of Beaminster adds to the charm of this little market town and I am pleased that the long awaited enhancements to the Square are finally coming to fruition, albeit on a smaller scale than first anticipated but I hope they will provide base on which to build in the future.

■ WHAT would you like to see happen in Beaminster in 2011?

Continued success to businesses in the town, the museum, the festival and any other events planned during the year. We also have local council elections in May and I am looking forward to working with the new council.

■ WHAT three items are on your Christmas list?

I enjoy reading therefore there is always a book or two on my list.

For my birthday earlier in the year the children gave me a Ninendo DS and I have requested a couple of games and chocolate never fails to please

■ HOW will you be spending Christmas Day?

I will spend Christmas Day quietly at home with my husband and children. I also hope to spend some time with

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■ HOW do you spend your leisure time?

I enjoy reading, puzzles, trips to the theatre and walking. With a friend I am attempting to walk the South West Coast Path, we have completed Poole to Torquay and a section of the north Cornwall coast from Bude to St Ives. The next major planned walk is the section from Bude to Westward Ho!, a total of 36 miles in April, which I am told is the hardest section of the SWCP therefore I have decided to make this a "Sponsored Walk" to raise funds for Marvellous Amateur Dramatics' next production

■ WHAT is your favourite West End Show?

As a Queen fan obviously We Will Rock You is my all time favourite, closely followed by The Lion King – the costumes are just amazing.

■ ARE there any you'd still like to see?

I have recently seen The Jersey Boys in the West End which was great. I hear there is a new show planned for the summer which I would like to see based on the film Ghost. I also have a trip planned to see Dirty Dancing in Bristol next October.

■ HOW have you coped with the snow?

The snow has not been too much of a problem, the difficulty is getting out of Hawkchurch but once on the main road I have been travelling to Beaminster via Bridport which makes the journey longer but safer than the lanes.

■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?

For obvious reasons Freddie Mercury, my preferred author Martina Cole and Kevin Costner!



my two nieces Megan (aged eight) and Abbie (aged six) during the course of the day.

■ WHAT is your New Year's resolution?

I don't normally make a New Year's resolution although I made an exception in 2008 and I am pleased to say that nearly three years on I have not broken it!

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Councillors clash over youth club

■ FROM PAGE ONE

Councillor Lovell was also called over the coals by development trust chief executive Marcus Dixon over comments he made at a meeting of the Strategy and Policy Committee.

At that meeting Councillor Lovell put on the record his view that all the youth club's problems could be solved if the trust sold the InSPARATION Youth Cafe and invested the proceeds in the renovation of the premises.

He added that he did not want people "empire building at the expense of the young people of Lyme".

Mr Dixon described his comments as "a really invidious thing to say" and went on to explain that the trust policy was to use 17-18 Church Street to generate funds to meet the running costs of the youth club which could be as much as £20,000.

He said it was important that the town council gave financial support to the project and he hoped a meeting could be arranged in the week to come so they could explain to town councillors what they were planning to do with the building.

Mr Dixon concluded by saying it was a time for

working together for the benefit of the community and not for "the dead hand of suspicion and resentment".

Councillor Lovell said his comments had achieved what he had set out to do - to get the matter in the public domain.

"The main thing is that the boys' club does open up," he said.

Bitten once

"Money is not going to be freely available and if Lyme Regis Town Council is going to put in £60,000 we want assurances on how it will be used and that we will not have to come back to this is three or four years."

And he added: "We have been bitten once by the Marine Theatre and we do not want to be bitten again."

Councillor Lucy Camp-

bell said she was "really unhappy" with how Councillor Lovell conducted the meeting when he made his remarks about the youth club.

She claimed that he railroaded the discussion and did not give councillors the chance to discuss the matter.

Councillor Holman supported Councillor Campbell's view and pointed out that e-mails had been sent to the council, together with a letter from project leader Fran Williams, which were not distributed to councillors before the meeting as requested.

Town clerk Mike Lewis explained that there was not enough financial detail in the correspondence and they were now planning to meet the development trust to discuss the council's support.



■ LADIES of St Michael's Parish Church in Lyme Regis gathered in the church hall with the Mayor, Councillor Michaela Ellis, to make Christingles for the pre-Christmas Christingle Service, which was held on December 1st with students from St Michael's Primary School

Quiz night raises £300

A QUIZ night at the Nag's Head in Lyme Regis raised £300 towards the refurbishment and re-opening of the Club for Young People.

The evening was organised by the Club for Young People fundraising group.

Chairman Terry O'Grady said: "A big thank you to everyone who came to the quiz night, to our hosts Rob and Debbie Hammon and Marion Bignall who wrote the questions.

"On behalf of the fundraising group, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

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No rubbish collections before Christmas

CHRISTMAS waste is expected to pile high in Lyme Regis, as the next refuse collection may not be until Wednesday, December 29th.

The snow and icy weather conditions meant rubbish was not collected on Monday and the town clerk Mike Lewis has been informed that it could be after Christmas before Lyme's bins are emptied.

Mr Lewis said: "Obviously this is difficult for everyone and the team at West Dorset are doing their best on this

front. I will continue to keep in touch with them and, if a collection can be arranged sooner, I will use various channels to get the information out to residents."

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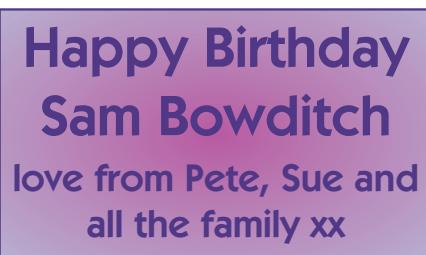
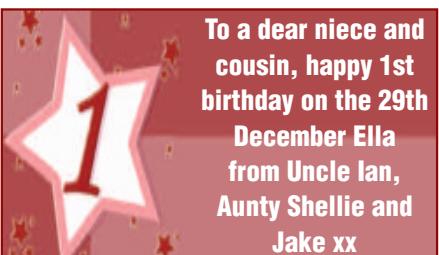
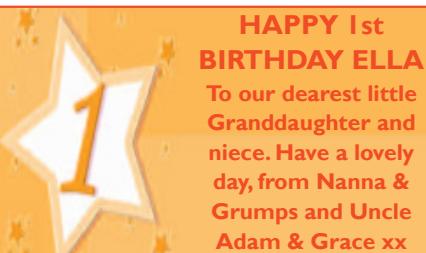
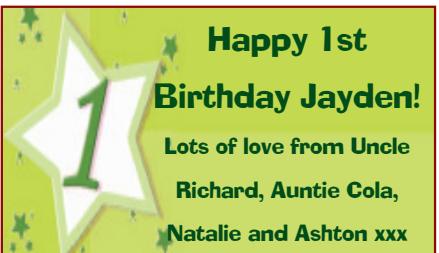
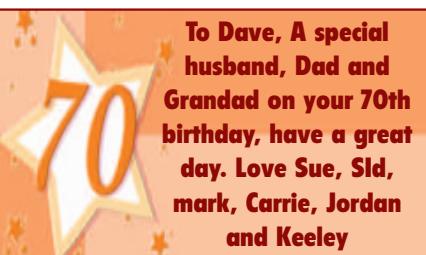
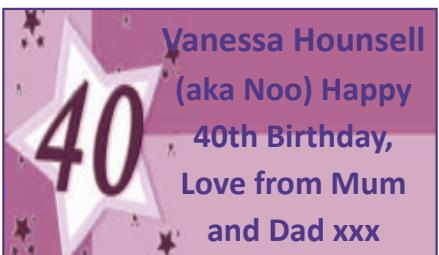
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Anger over non-gritting of crucial access roads

By Philip Evans

A SECOND heavy snow fall in two weeks, with temperatures plummeting to minus 10 overnight on Sunday, brought more chaos to the streets of Lyme Regis.

Although the main road through the town was negotiable with care on Monday morning, the ungritted sidestreets were treacherous with a number of minor accidents being reported.

One vehicle skidded into a shop at the top of town and a people carrier slipped down most of Woodmead Road before colliding with a wall and lamp post.

Residents of Woodmead Road expressed their anger that once again the gritting in their road was non-existent after Dorset County Council refused to add it to their route.

Mr Jim Sweetland told the *View from Lyme Regis*: "Once again the lack of grit in Woodmead Road caused several accidents - one could have had serious repercussions when a people carrier slid halfway down the road, mounted the pavement, hit a wall, carried on down the pavement, hit the lamp post and finished up in a wall further down."

"The seriousness of this is, had this happened 20 minutes earlier, 20 Woodroffe School children would have been walking down this road on their way home."

"This is not the first time this has happened. Last year only a few yards further up the road the same thing occurred, demolishing a wall at Councillor

Lucy Campbell's house - at that time the Fire Brigade were called

"I understood that Lyme Regis Town Council requested that Dorset County Council add Hill Road, View Road, and Woodmead Road to the gritting scheme. The town council tractor was used in other areas of Lyme Regis so maybe the council may think of having a grit pile to enable more roads to be gritted."

"It is now Sunday and still nothing has been done and I am sure the fire engine would find it difficult.

"If anything happens in Church Street area of the town, Anning Road and Woodmead Road is the main route in and out of Lyme Regis and should be gritted as such."

Another Woodmead Road resident, Danny Hopkins, said many of his neighbours, particularly those who were elderly were up in arms that the road had not been gritted.

Mr Hopkins said that public spirited residents had done their best to grit the road using the sand and salt from the new grit bin at the junction of Woodmead Road and View Road.

Hazardous

He told the *View*: "Last year we had a bad accident here in front of our house and fortunately no casualties. But for how long in these hazardous circumstances before someone is seriously injured. Only yesterday another vehicle slid sideways and collided with a lamp post."

"I hope the town council will take note of our views and for very little cost do something about it."

Town clerk Mike Lewis confirmed that the town council had asked Dorset County Council to add Anning Road, Woodmead Road and Hill Road to their gritting route, but they had declined.

However, they had added Clappentail Lane to

the route, although the town council had not requested this.

Mr Lewis said the council's outside staff did grit crucial areas on Friday and Monday, with sand and salt provided by the county, but were hampered by the fact that only two workers were able to get into Lyme.

He also confirmed that discussions had taken place between himself and Council Owen Lovell, chairman of the Strategy and Policy Committee, about the possibility of the town council taking over responsibility for gritting the side roads in the future.

The council will be discussing this proposal in the New Year.

Lyme came to a virtual standstill on Friday and Monday with banks and many town centre shops closed.

The snow also played havoc with the town's Christmas celebrations, causing the cancellation of a number of events, including the Town Band's annual Christmas concert on Saturday evening.



■ DO-IT-YOURSELF: Volunteers gritting Woodmead Road to enable traffic to get up the hill

No more community rooms for Lyme, says resident

By Francesca Evans

A LYME Regis resident has objected to plans for two new community rooms to be built on top of the Marine Parade shelters as part of its regeneration project.

At last week's full council meeting, local historian Ken Gollop told councillors during the public forum that the only advantage of the new community rooms would be their views, which would be similar to that of the Masonic Hall or the Marine Theatre.

He added: "We already have over 20 meeting rooms or halls in Lyme so we do not need any more."

Mr Gollop listed one of the main disadvantages of the community rooms to be their "exposed position".

He added: "There is no vehicular access or parking - the nearest, if available, being at Cobb Gate and Van Alens Car Park, otherwise Woodmead Halls, Holmbush Car Park or Monmouth Car Park - quite a walk, especially in bad weather which can come at anytime of the year."

"Pedestrian access is awkward in rough or wet weather. Can you imagine carrying wedding cakes, champagne or artists' easels from the Cart Road to the rooms in a southern gale and pouring rain?"

Mr Gollop questioned the council whether they were

going to allow vehicular access along the Marine Parade to overcome this problem. He also asked whether the council could afford the community rooms.

"We've had the financial disaster at the Strawberry Field, we're continuing to finance the Marine Theatre and now it appears we have trouble getting rent in from some seafront concessionaires."

If you intend on charging no or low rents for the community rooms, we shall be subsidising it in the future.

"I cannot see how they will pay for the maintenance, cleaning and staff time, let alone generate income."

Mr Gollop asked councillors not to continue with the building of the community rooms.

"I think you will be wasting our money on this project, and I mean our money not your money, especially bearing in mind the financial restraints we are going through at the moment."

Mr Gollop's observations were noted by the council without comment.



■ CHEESEY TUNES: Justin Tunstall and Mandi St Clair listen to their festive tunes at the Town Mill Cheesemonger

Cheesey listening this Christmas

ALREADY fed up with hearing that same repetitive Christmas song?

At the Town Mill Cheesemonger in Lyme Regis, Justin Tunstall and his staff are trying to avoid this all too familiar seasonal irritation. The shop always plays music, but this week they guarantee non-stop Christmas music, with no repeats.

The shop's iPod playlist has a total of 649 yuletide ditties lasting 34 and a half hours – more than enough to ensure that Slade's Noddy Holder yells "It's Christmas!" just the once. There is about six songs for every type of cheese in the shop, which specialises in West Country artisan cheese, but also has traditional, and not so traditional, Christmas

favourites, such as Wallace and Gromit Wensleydale.

Mr Tunstall said: "I've collected interesting and different Christmas music for about 30 years and this is my once a year chance to hear them all. I do have particular favourites, such as Dan Hicks' 'Rudolph the Bald-headed Reindeer' and Chris Difford's 'Let's not fight this Christmas.'

"Nonetheless, I shall refrain from playing them again and again. Unfortunately, Mandi St Clair, who will be helping in the shop throughout the week, isn't too keen on non-stop Christmas tunes! She can't wait for 4pm on Christmas Eve, when the shop shuts for a three day Christmas break."

Councillor pushes for regeneration scheme to solve traffic problems

by Francesca Evans

and cost consultant needed to develop the project.

At last week's full council meeting, Councillor Stan Williams put forward ideas for a regeneration scheme, which would improve traffic congestion problems at the bottom of Broad Street.

However, he lost the vote to take the idea forward with five votes to four, as many councillors were concerned at the cost of £6,500 for a project manager, commercial agent

had anything new to add or if he was just repeating what was said at the previous meeting.

Councillor Williams said that as several councillors weren't at the previous meeting, and as it was a close vote, he should bring the matter up again.

He said: "I was very disappointed that I lost this vote five to four. I put forward what I thought was a great idea. It's a fantastic scheme that would open up the square and make it an attractive area."

The Mayor, Councillor Michaela Ellis, asked Councillor Williams if he

had anything new to add or if he was just repeating what was said at the previous meeting.

Councillor Williams said that as several councillors weren't at the previous meeting, and as it was a close vote, he should bring the matter up again.

He added: "It would bring many more people into the town centre without blocking it up."

Councillor Daryl Turner

reminded the council that

they were not supposed to be

discussing anything

that was not already on the agenda.

Councillor Williams said

they should not dismiss

the idea and re-iterated a point that Councillor Lucy Campbell made at the previous meeting – money had already been spent on reports about traffic management schemes in the area, and these should be used while still relevant.

"We need to look into the long term future of the town. What kind of council are we if we're not looking to the future because of the money, when we have spent money on it already?"

Councillors did not discuss the item any further.

Santa sleigh raises highest total in nine years



FATHER Christmas raised £613 for the Special Baby Care Unit at Dorchester Hospital when he toured Lyme Regis last week.

The annual Santa sleigh, organised by Neville Causey of Hunter's Lodge, brought a smile to faces young and old and achieved the highest collection for nine years.

Mr Causey said: "As in all things, there are rising costs involved with providing the sleigh."

"I would like to personally thank the main sponsors of the sleigh this year - Lyme Regis Regatta and Carnival, Sparkbright Ltd and Coastal Gardens, as well as the continued support of Dave Ostler for the use of the towing vehicle, John Broome Associates for the use of their trailer, the Karizma Majorettes for the loan of their music system, and finally my family."

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Time to think about what kind of theatre Lyme wants

■ I AM extremely grateful for the extensive coverage and the supportive editorial note about the Marine Theatre in the last two issues of the *View From Lyme Regis*. May I now take the opportunity to summarise where we are and what we plan for the medium and longer term future.

When I spoke to the town council about our current financial issues I was careful to begin by saying that what was remarkable was not that I was there, but that I hadn't been there before. Support from our town council has been nothing short of magnificent but they, and we, have always understood that running a professional theatre and, at the same time, meeting the diverse needs of local groups and audiences, would need significantly more funding.

I say again that we are seen as one of the three main arts providers in West Dorset but we exist on less than half the core funding of the two others, while providing more events and attracting more visitors than either. This has been the rationale behind approaches to the Arts Council and to WDDC. We could not have been more persistent in the pressing of our claims to WDDC; it has been a four-year campaign. I am dismayed that they have not been willing to acknowledge our case thus far but we are, at least, promised a full review at the end of 2011 and there may be reason for optimism.

I am also optimistic about the fact that West Dorset are consulting on our suggestion that a small levy on

their Lyme Regis car parks could meet the needs of Lyme Regis people, not just for the benefit of the theatre but for the Woodmead Halls, the youth club, B Sharp! and many other of the entirely worthy organisations which this small community manages to sustain.

At the end of the day, however impressive our professional programme and however many of our 22,000 customers may come from outside Lyme, this theatre is nothing if it is not meeting the needs of our local community. The LymeArts Community Trust originated in 2002 from the very clear wish of the people of this town for a theatre of the kind which we have tried to manage for the past eight years.

We do think that now may be the time to open up the debate again about what sort of theatre the people of Lyme Regis want for their town and to this end we will be holding an open day and consultation, probably in early March. Out of this will come, we hope, a new and sustainable vision, new recruits for our volunteers and our Theatre Friends organisation and, particularly, two or three people who might be willing to act as trustees.

This has been a very energising few months at the theatre but our determination - staff, trustees, Friends and volunteers alike - to give this town the theatre it wants and deserves, is undimmed.

*John Bartholomew
(Chairman, Lyme Arts Community Trust)*

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Spirits lifted at football club after auction raises £3,000



■ LYME Regis Football Club fundraising committee members Heather Larcombe, Lucy Coombe and Francesca Evans pictured with auctioneer Simon Flux

LYME Regis Football Club raised over £3,000 at a Christmas auction on Saturday night.

Despite the snowy weather conditions and lower turnout, members and supporters raised more than last year's event with the money going towards the club's ongoing refurbishment project.

Auctioneer for the night was Simon Flux and top items included a signed Paul Scholes photo, which sold for £95, other sports memorabilia, vouchers for local restaurants and attractions, hampers, and a black and white photo of the Cobb printed on aluminium, which sold for £100.

The auction lifted spirits at the club, which suffered £5,000 worth of dam-

age in a storage container fire the previous weekend.

Chairman Howard Larcombe said: "Thank you to all who donated items for the auction, to all those who came in the snow to spend their money and to Fluxy who did a great job as auctioneer."

"It was a great night - the auction and raffle raised £2,263 and the bar made about £1,000. The event has really lifted spirits at the club just before Christmas."

Lyme's First Team will compete in the Coronation Cup Final against Perry Street at Combe on December 27th and a party with Christmas draw will be held afterwards at the Davey Fort.



■ TOP LOTS: Auctioneer Simon Flux



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Local schools celebrate the festive season



■ PARTY SPIRIT: Above and below, St Michael's Primary School students enjoy their lunch



■ TOP HATS: Children from Mrs Ethelston's Primary School show off their homemade hats

by Francesca Evans

EXCITED youngsters from local primary schools enjoyed Christmas lunches last week before breaking up for the holidays.

St Michael's Primary School in Lyme Regis had their traditional turkey lunch on Wednesday and had fun pulling crackers together.

Children from Mrs Ethelston's Primary School in Uplyme ate their turkey roast and mince pies in the village hall on Thursday afternoon. The students made their own Christmas hats for the occasion and played puzzle games while waiting for their lunch to arrive.



■ CHILDREN of St Michael's Primary School in Lyme Regis celebrated the festive season with their annual carol service on Tuesday evening.

Family and friends of the students were welcomed to St Michael's Parish Church by the school's new headteacher, Annabelle Grose.

Readings were then given by members of school staff, governors and pupils, and the audience enjoyed carols accompanied by Lyme Regis Town Band.

Highlight of the evening was the infant children's nativity play, called "The

Landlord's Cat". The play gave a modern twist to the traditional story, with a mixture of favourite carols and upbeat tunes, including some brave solo performances.

The evening was finished

with prayers from the children and a blessing from the Reverend Jane Skinner. There was also a retiring collection in aid of the RNLI, followed by a raffle and refreshments in the church hall.

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Weather plan slips away

FEELINGS are running very strong in certain corners of the town over the gritting of the roads, or should I say, the lack of gritting, following the second heavy snow fall this month.

Things were pretty chaotic when Lyme was hit by snow in January with little or no grit available for the side roads.

Since then, the town council has worked hard to be better prepared by acquiring and filling grit bins at critical places around the town. But they

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans



failed to persuade Dorset County Council to extend their gritting route to take in areas such as Woodmead Road and Anning Road.

The severity of the second blast this week, however, has highlighted the frailty of Lyme's winter contingency plans and the

View was inundated with complaints on Monday about the dangerous state of the side roads.

Budgetary restraints prevent the county council doing much more than the main road through the town. The town council has no statutory requirement

to grit the roads and footpaths, other than those they own such as the public gardens and the cemetery.

But councillors recognise that they do have a duty of care towards the people who live in the town and outside staff have been deployed to grit other areas such as

Staples Terrace, where there is a high proportion of elderly, Sherborne Lane and Hill Road.

One of the problems is that, unlike in years gone by, not all council staff live in Lyme and some of them were unable to get into work.

We also received many complaints about the pavements in Broad Street not being treated which forced people to walk in the road.

There was a time when householders and shopkeepers kept the bit of road outside their premises clear, but that does not seem to happen now.

Some also argue that there is just not enough sand and salt in the town, which will account for a number of instances of people driving to a convenient grit box and helping themselves.

Woodmead Road was at its most treacherous again with one vehicle sliding from top to bottom, colliding with walls and lamp posts on the way down.

But we have to accept that the snow was much more severe than we are used to - or indeed prepared for. We are just not used to getting such heavy snowfalls every year - certainly not three times in a year.

Perhaps this is going to be the norm in the future as the seasons seem to be more extreme each year. That being the case, the town council may have to rethink their winter plan again and I'm pleased to hear that Owen Lovell, chairman of the council's policy making committee, is already in talks with the town clerk about the town council's future policy.

Lyme asides ...

EVENT OF THE WEEK: THIS would have undoubtedly been the Lyme's Got Talent Christmas Special.

We were so disappointed to have called it off because of the snow. At 4pm on Friday it was touch and go but when people started to ring in to say they couldn't get to the Woodmead Halls we had no choice and the heavy snowfall later in the day justified the decision.

We are now hoping to reschedule the concert late in January and will be announcing the date as soon as it is confirmed.

The concert would have featured most of the acts who appeared in the Lyme's Got Talent finals in August, with Bernie Fallon, who was the chairman of judges, and is artistic director for the highly talented Charmouth-based MAD (Marvellous Amateur Dramatics group), directing the show.

If the dress rehearsal was anything to go by, the audience were in for a real treat.

The rescheduled January concert will be an event not to be missed.

IN last week's column I mentioned I've got a new book out this week - copies should be available on Thursday if we can beat the snow and get them back from the printers.

"Year Book 2011 - A Year in the Life of Lyme Regis" will cost £4.95 and be available from a number of local outlets. It chronicles all that happened in and around our town from December 2009 to November this year.

I've also nominated a "Citizen of The Month" for each month and in next week's issue we will be publishing their names and asking you to vote for Lyme's "Citizen of the Year".

We will then present a specially framed certificate to the person who you think warrants the accolade of Lyme's "Citizen of the Year" for 2010 plus the chance to win a copy of the book.

More gossip on the election front...

SURPRISE of the week on the election front - local businessman George Symonds will be contesting one of the two Lyme Regis seats on West Dorset District Council in next May's local elections as an official Conservative candidate. Sitting member Daryl Turner will be the other Tory candidate.

I say "surprise" because former Tory councillor Owen Lovell also went before the local branch panel and didn't get selected

as one of the Lyme candidates.

Owen lost his seat, along with fellow Tory councillor Ken Meech, at the last district elections when they were beaten by Daryl Turner (then a Liberal Democrat) and independent Pat Hicks whom I think will also be putting his name forward for the district council next May.

George Symonds has been taken an increasing interest in local politics in recent times and is no stranger to council affairs,

having fought long battles with both the district and town councils over issues on the Marine Parade where he runs the Amusement Arcade.

On the town council front, local painter and decorator Terry O'Grady has told me he is definitely standing for the town council as one of six who will be fighting as a group with the intention of improving youth provision in the town.

It's starting to get interesting...



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Surprise proposal at romantic boat launch

A BOAT launching ceremony in Lyme Regis took a romantic twist when a student from the town's Boat Building Academy sailed into the middle of the harbour and proposed to his girlfriend.

Onlookers cheered as Matt Cotterill proposed to his partner Yvette. She said yes and was given a wooden ring, handmade by her fiancé.

Matt's boat was among nine being launched from the slipway on December 9th, following a 38-week course at the Boat Building Acad-

emy. The students had come from as far as Australia, as well as Germany, Norfolk, London, Hampshire and Portland, and ranged from caterers, construction workers, IT managers and policemen.

The launching ceremony was attended by friends and family, the Reverend Gavin Tyte from Uplyme and was filmed for BBC Spotlight.

Principal of the Boat Building Academy, Yvonne Green, said: "Not only will we miss

the students but we will also miss their families and loved ones who have really made a difference and contributed to the Boat Building Academy community. Congratulations also to student Ross Doherty and his wife Elisabet who are expecting a baby next year."

The next boat launch is set to take place on June 8th 2011 when a record number of 11 boats are expected to take to the water.



■ OAR-SOME! All nine students join Ian Baird in his historical replica "Witch of Weymouth", a Dorset lobster and crab boat originally built in 1902

Photo by PAUL DYER



■ I DO: Newly engaged couple Matt Cotterill and Yvette Smith with Matt's boat "Nicky Nacky Noo"

Photo by CHELSEA DAVINE



■ ALL CALM AT SEA: Student Ian Davidson and "Annie", a strip-planked and gaff-rigged Daysailer, designed by Tom Dunderdale

Photo by JON PALMER

Talbot Road grit bin made 'real difference'

RESIDENT Nigel Ball has thanked Lyme Regis Town Council for providing a grit bin in Talbot Road, one of the steepest roads in town.

Horticulturalist Mr Ball used the public forum session at full council meeting to plead for a grit box as there were so many key workers living in Talbot Road.

When Dorset County Council agreed they would add Clappentail Lane to their own gritting route, deputy town clerk Simon Ratcliff arranged to move one of the grit boxes to Talbot Road. It was put in place just before the first major snow fall.

Mr Ball returned to the town council chamber last week to thank the council for their action.

Mr Ball gritted Talbot Road and told the council: "It made a real difference and everyone got out safely."

Mr Ball repeated his plea for some free parking between 9 am to 10 am in the main town centre car parks run by the district council.

"A lot of council taxpayers like to pop into town early in the morning to go to the bank or do a bit of shopping," he told councillors.

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Driving instructor retires at age 88

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Mrs Hickman qualified in Inverness in 1979 after the death of her younger daughter, Judy, who was knocked down on the A9 in north Scotland. She hoped that by teaching pupils to be safe on the roads she could prevent other parents from losing their children to dangerous driving, and has often been thanked by mums and dads for the "excellent" way their child has learnt to drive.

Mrs Hickman, who has taught in Lyme Regis for 25 years, said: "This job has been an absolute life saver! Getting the pupils through the test, particularly as so many of my students passed first time, but equally when they passed second time, was a joy itself. But the warmth, appreciation and gratitude they always showed and the wonderful cards and letters I received are something that I will always treasure."

Lunch for over 50s

OVER 50s are invited to a Lunch Club to be launched in Lyme Regis in the New Year.

The first Lunch Cub session will be held on Friday, January 14th at Lyme Regis Baptist Church. On the menu will be slow-cooked beef casserole and dumplings served with creamed potatoes and a medley of vegetables, followed by fruit crumble and custard for dessert.

The lunch, organised by Local Food Links Ltd. based in Bridport, will cost £5 per person. To book a place contact LymeNet at St Michael's Business Centre in Church Street or phone 01297 444570, or visit Alice's Bear Shop in Broad Street.

Lyme's maritime culture to be celebrated in New Year

A YEAR of events celebrating the maritime life, culture and heritage of Lyme Regis will be launched in the New Year.

Maritime Lyme will kick off with a family treasure hunt on Monday, January 3rd and regular events will continue throughout 2011.

The treasure hunt will start at 11am at the Lifeboat Station on the Cobb, which will also be celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2011. Lifeboat staff and crew will be welcoming visitors and offering New Year's refreshments.

On the Slipway, participants will meet traditional boatbuilder Gail McGarva, who will offer the chance to "beat a rivet" into individual planks of elm, creating a souvenir to remember Maritime Lyme's launch.

Parked nearby will be the Jurassic Coastin' Van – a mini information centre where participants can handle fossils and learn more about the Jurassic



Coast. Weather permitting, members of Lyme Regis Gig Club will also be on hand to demonstrate the south west's fastest growing sport.

Moving onto Lyme Regis Sailing Club, which will soon be celebrating its 90th anniversary, where treasure hunters can meet the members and tour the facilities. The 2011 Atlantic Challenge team and gig club members will also be based at the sailing club on the day and will be happy to talk about their exciting activities and vessels.

From 1pm to 3pm, the

treasure hunt moves along Marine Parade towards Lyme Regis Museum. Enroute from the harbour, drop in to see some of Lyme's artists and a very special ichthyosaur outside the beach huts.

At the museum, which will be open for free admission from 11am to 3pm, there will be more New Year's activities and prizes for successful treasure-hunters.

Other January events celebrating Maritime Lyme will include a junk boat race on Sunday, January 9th at 11am, the national RNLI SOS fundraising day on Friday, January 28th, when members of the local lifeboat crew will be hosting activities around the harbour, and regular Mary Anning walks and fossil walks.

Visit www.maritimelyme.co.uk for more details or, for dates and times of walks, contact Lyme Regis Museum on 01297 443370 or visit www.lymeregmuseum.co.uk



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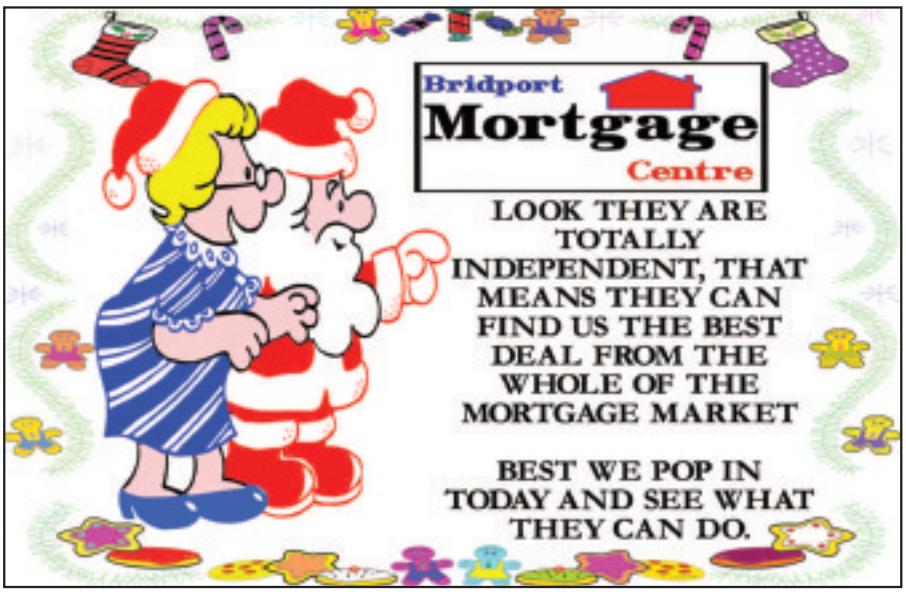
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View 2 Music

Albums of the year

by James Coles

1 | BAND OF JOY Robert Plant

Following on from the acclaimed Led Zep reunion and collaboration with Alison Krauss in 2007, Plant decided to go his own way again in 2010. He returned with an album that invoked the name of the psychedelic blues band he fronted before Zeppelin, full of bounding energy and bursting with unexpected eclecticism. The opening gambit is the terrific reworking of Los Lobos' 50s stomper, 'Angel Dance.' Other highlights include his take on 60s dance floor filler, 'You Can't Buy My Love,' and the foreboding 30s gospel number, 'Satan, Your Kingdom Must Come Down.' His new band, complete with Patty Griffin's beautifully wistful vocals and Buddy Miller's country-tinged guitar, stamp their mark on the album's sound - my highlight of the year.

2 | LE NOISE Neil Young

It takes a brave man to put out an album these days that features little more than a voice and an electric guitar, albeit one cranked to the max. And although two of the album's tracks ('Love And War' and 'Peaceful Valley Boulevard') are plaintive, acoustic numbers - that do break up the sonic barrage - the majority of the record is a full-on, ear bashing assault. Never less than both gripping and honest, it's proof Young is still an artist to be reckoned with.

3 | LIGHTS Ellie Goulding

A generation or so ago someone like Ellie Goulding would have recorded a more traditional sounding debut album. She ticks all the right boxes as a singer-songwriter, but takes things to the next level by fusing these talents with a rather more modern sound - folktronica, if you will. Genuinely great songs that may be all glossy and pop on the outside but aren't at all superficial. They have heart and soul; strip them down, remove the blips and bleeps - they sound just as good with nothing but guitar and voice.

4 | INNERSPEAKER Tame Impala

On first listen, you'd be forgiven if you thought that this record is a long lost psychedelic classic, recorded on the West Coast in the late Sixties. You'd be right on one count - the bit about the West Coast - but this record doesn't come from the sunny shores of California, but Perth, Western Australia. Now Perth may be one of the most isolated cities on the planet, but surely it's heard some new sounds over the 40-odd years since Cream and Hendrix ruled the airwaves? Still, if it leads to records like this - who cares?

5 | SEASONS OF MY SOUL Rumer

Singer-songwriter Sarah Joyce has been trying to get noticed for some years, in many different musical genres. But at last she's found her true voice - and what a voice - under the guise of Rumer. Reminiscent of the pure, soft tones of Karen Carpenter - surely a marker for any female vocalist of this ilk - Rumer's vocals take her already effective, delicate songs to another level.

6 | I SPEAK BECAUSE I CAN Laura Marling

Laura Marling has been a darling of the so called "nu-folk" scene for what feel likes an eternity. Her music is often painted with the miserabilism brush but this record does offer the odd moments of optimism. However, few would disagree that Marling is at her most compelling when writing from a dark place. Songs like 'Hope In The Air' can't fail to get under one's skin or make you wonder how someone so young (Marling isn't yet 21) can write songs so mature and eloquent.

7 | POSTCARDS FROM A YOUNG MAN Manic Street Preachers

One last shot at mass communication. That's how the Manics summed up their manifesto for this, their tenth album. In the Britpop crazed mid to late Nineties, the Manics were more than mainstream, but their recent albums have seen a return to a more edgier sound. They never lost their intellectual fire or the need to treat their music as a cause; making the sort of album they wanted to and not what some record label exec wanted was always going to be policy number one. So, what have Manics circa 2010 some up with? How about an album with the integrity of anything they're ever recorded but also the lush strings, harmonies and melodies of their most accessible work. And as for "mass communication," I guess touting the album on Strictly Come Dancing means they've achieved that?

8 | WAKE UP THE NATION - Paul Weller

After 2008's undoubted attempt at creating his own 'White Album', it was anyone's guess in which direction the Modfather would head next. Turned out, next on the agenda was a dose of angst-driven 21st century punk that sounds as angry as anything he ranted with The Jam 30-odd years ago. And if it's hardly a surprise that Mr Weller isn't too content with modern life, the fact he's allowed the more avant-garde elements of this album's predecessor to slip through is. What our first listen may sound a more conventional Weller record has enough moments to prove he is still innovator and never one to rest on his laurels.

9 | HAPPINESS Hurts

Synth pop duos may sound a little too 1981, but Hurts don't care if their look - and sound - scares off the too cool for school indie kid types. They have the tunes. And that's all that matters. They embrace the whole pop ethos to a massive degree. They have huge ambition and even persuaded Kylie to sing on this, their debut offering. Rise above the obvious insults - wet look hair and a song that gushes about Verona in much the same way Ultravox did about Vienna - and soak up these widescreen, unashamedly pop, pop songs.

10 | OLYMPIA Bryan Ferry

It's been a while since Roxy Music made an album (1982 to be precise) and it seems Bryan Ferry still doesn't quite have the nerve to slap that name on the front of a new record. Olympia so easily could have been that LP. Roxy have been touring again for the last ten years and this new release does feature two members of the line-up. But instead of a tight group effort it boasts a string of big name guest stars - including Pink Floyd's David Gilmour, Jonny Greenwood of Radiohead, Red Hot Chili Peppers' Flea, and even old Roxy bandmate, Brian Eno - and makes this list for maybe nothing more than not imploding under the weight of expectation. Perhaps a little too much effort from Ferry to sound, well, effortless here. But there are some classic moments and, something tells me, this is the closest we'll ever get to that new Roxy album.

Morecombe lake Art Group's Affordable Art

THIS year as a change, Morcombelake Art Group, instead of holding their annual art exhibition in August at the local hall, has been showing members' work at the Courtyard Gallery, Town Mill, Lyme Regis during the run up to Christmas, and the display will continue until Monday, January 3rd 2011. The exhibition will be open from 11am to 4pm Tuesday to Sunday and Bank Holidays, except for Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

The theme, with Christmas gifts in mind, will be Affordable Art for Christmas, and at this exhibition there will also be a range of member's craft work including original hand knitted gloves, socks and toys, hand embroidered silk phone cases and book covers, printed fridge magnets and mouse mats, and rag dolls, as well as paintings, prints and cards.

The exhibition is run as part of the Town Mill Arts Guild programme, and will be the final event before TMAG moves out of the Courtyard Gallery and upstairs to the David West Gallery in the Town Mill complex. Information about TMAG can be seen on the internet at townmillartsguild.com.

Lyme Regis always offers plenty for visitors to enjoy, so if you miss the opportunity to go before Christmas, the exhibition will be a perfect opportunity to go to the coast over the Christmas holiday, mooch about and get some brisk sea air, knowing that there is also shelter from the weather to be found at the Courtyard Gallery. Art Group members will be present as stewards, and thus available to talk about the work if you wish to know more.



Panto Players to perform Goldilocks

CHRISTMAS festivities wouldn't be complete without a visit to the pantomime, and age old tradition, which is often the first time children go to the theatre.

Bridport has had its own local pantomime for nearly fifty years since Bernhard Gale founded the Bridport Pantomime Players in 1966.

The first one Dick Whittington was performed at Church House in South Street. This was a huge success, as was the second one Cinderella, at which stage the decision was taken to move to The Palace just opposite where all the pantomimes were staged until

1999 when the cinema unexpectedly closed.

Bernard then adapted the small stage at The Lyric in Barrack Street and transformed it into a small theatre where the next seven shows were performed, delighting the audiences with its informality. Sadly Bernard died in 1996 and The Lyric closed, but at the same time the Electric Palace opened its doors once again.

The players returned and will be performing their 46th pantomime, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, in the first week of February. They will be performing every evening from Wednesday (2nd) until Saturday (5th) with

matinees on Thursday and Saturday afternoons.

The pantomime is full of song, dance and comedy and is a family show suitable for all ages from the youngest to the oldest. To get away from the gloom of the winter why not get the family together and go along to your very own 'home-grown, locally sourced' pantomime. Oh yes you can!

Tickets cost £7 with reductions for children and senior citizens, and go on sale on Tuesday January 4th at Pets' Pavilion. The box office is open daily (except Sundays) from 10am -4pm.

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

*No love that in a family dwells,
No carolling in frosty air,
Nor all the steeple-shaking bells
Can with this single truth compare –
That God was Man in Palestine
And lives today in Bread and Wine.*

THOSE are the closing lines from John Betjeman's lovely poem, entitled 'Christmas'.

Our old friend, Diana Shervington of Lyme Regis, who is well-known for her lectures on Jane Austen, has sent us this seasonal song.

CHRISTMAS LULLABY
*Slumber sweetly babe so dear
With loving mother Mary near,
The brilliant star shines out so clear
For her precious baby Jesus there
Sing Loolah-loo-lay, Loolah-loo-lah.

Wondering shepherds were led by that star
As it guided those three kings drawn from afar.

With costly gifts they knelt at his bye
While the shepherds gazed at the babe so fair
Sing Loolah-loo-lay, Loolah-loo-lah.

Mary must have been bemused
By all the attention her wee babe caused,
The creator of all the earth and sea,
Became a babe for you and me
Sing Loolah-loo-lay, Loolah-loo-lah.*

KAY Ennals MBE, a writer whose name will be familiar to many of our readers, particularly those of you who live in Dorchester, has written this Christmas poem for us.

CHRISTMAS IN DORSET
*It's Christmas in the villages
Through Dorset countryside,
There'll be turkeys, trussed for cooking,
And a baking of mince pies.

It's Christmas in the hillsides,
Where Hardy's stories told
Of Gloucester Lodge and Oxwell Hall
And Melstock's singing soul.

It's Christmas in the County Town –
Arcades and shops on show –
Where East Street and High Street West
Join the busy traffic flow.

It's Christmas in the churches,
Where carols will be sung
By loving hearts and voices
To greet the newborn Son.*

ANOTHER children's writer and poet, Eleanor Farjeon, is most famous for her lovely hymn 'Morning has Broken'. She wrote this Christmas verse in the 1920s.

IN THE WEEK WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES
*This is the week when Christmas comes,
Let every pudding burst with plums,*

*And every tree bear dolls and drums,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

*Let every hall have boughs of green,
With berries glowing in between,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

*Let every doorstep have a song
Sounding the dark street along,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

*Let every steeple ring a bell
With a joyful tale to tell,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

*Let every night put forth a star
To show us where the heavens are,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

*Let every pen enfold a lamb
Sleeping warm beside its dam,
In the week when Christmas comes.*

This is the week when Christmas comes.

● If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Screening of Brit horror flick to be followed by question and answers with director

BRIDPORT'S Electric Palace will be offering a very special cinema experience in January with a showing of British horror flick, Spiderhole, and a question and answer session with the film's director, Daniel Simpson.

The phrase 'bloody students' has never been more appropriate than in Spiderhole, a stylish and ambitious horror written and directed by Daniel Simpson.

This British film follows four art students whose utopian ideal of living as squatters, free from rent, and free to party, turns into a nightmare when they discover their apparently abandoned mansion is concealing a hidden terror.

Spiderhole features a cast of up-and-coming British talent, including Emma Griffiths Malin (THE HOLE) and Reuben-Henry Biggs (STARTER FORTEN) and will be released this Halloween.

The film will be screened at Bridport's Electric Palace on Friday, January 14th 2011 at 7pm, and will be followed with a question and answer session with the film's director Daniel Simpson.

Tickets cost £7.50 available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901.

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View 2 TV

McIntyre and The Hoff confirmed for BGT

MICHAEL McIntyre and David Hasselhoff will join Amanda Holden as judges on the new series of Britain's Got Talent.

X Factor supremo Simon Cowell will also return to the ITV1 show, hosted by Ant and Dec, as a judge during the live stage of the competition.

Michael said: "I'm a massive fan of Britain's Got Talent and am extremely excited to be a judge on the new series. I was so thrilled when Simon Cowell asked me that I immediately wanted to run in to Ant and Dec's arms to celebrate."

Elaine Bedell, ITV director of entertainment and comedy, said: "Michael has established himself as one of the biggest names in comedy and entertainment in this country and, as someone who made his big breakthrough on the Royal Variety Performance, he knows exactly the pressures facing the acts on Britain's Got Talent."

The comic has been accused of being bland and has come under fire from the likes of Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer, while others have praised his performances for their inoffensive "middle class" nature and lack of bad language.

Elaine also praised The Hoff, who she said had "been immersed in show business for many years".

The American singer and actor, who made his name as Michael Knight in Knight Rider before starring in Baywatch, has appeared as a judge on America's Got Talent.

Around 15 million viewers watched the final of this year's Britain's Got Talent which was won by gymnastic troupe Spelbound.

Michael has spent most of his career so far on the BBC, where his BBC1 Comedy Roadshow made him a Saturday night primetime star.



WILL Ferrell and John C. Reilly have added a comedic twist to David Bowie and Bing Crosby's classic Christmas duet.

A video was posted on website Funny Or Die in which the duo do an imitation of Crosby and Bowie's beloved 1977 Christmas special in which they sang Peace On Earth and The Little Drummer Boy.

In their version, Will plays Bowie and John performs as Crosby.

The mimicry is impressive, with almost every line exactly repeated. John fittingly dons a V-neck sweater, and Will sports Bowie's blue blazer and a British accent. The two stay faithfully in character until the end, when they curse at each other and Will knocks over a Christmas tree.



View 2 Cinema

Not all happy families for Stiller and De Niro in Little Fockers

THE latest offering from the *Meet The Parents* series is released this week with *Little Fockers*^{12A} hitting the big screen.

It has taken 10 years, two little Fockers with wife Pam (Teri Polo) and countless hurdles for Greg Focker (Ben Stiller) to finally get "in" with his tightly wound father-in-law, Jack (Robert De Niro). After the cash-strapped dad takes a job moonlighting for a drug company, however, Jack's suspicions about his favorite male nurse come roaring back. When Greg and Pam's entire clan—including Pam's lovelorn ex, Kevin (Owen Wilson)—descends for the twins' birthday party, Greg must prove to the skeptical Jack that he's fully capable as the man of the house. But with all the misunderstandings, spying and covert missions, will Greg pass Jack's final test and become the family's next patriarch...or will the circle of trust be broken for good?

Released Wednesday, December 22nd



WAR drama *The Way Back*^{12A} stars Jim Sturgess and Colin Farrell, and is based on the real memoirs of Slawomir Rawicz.

The film tells the story of a group of prisoners who escaped from a Siberian gulag during World War II.

Released Sunday, December 26th

BASED on the novel of the same name, *Gulliver's Travels*^{PG} sees Jack Black star as Lemuel Gulliver, a travel writer who is assigned a job on Bermuda. His journey takes an unexpected turn, and he ends up on the island of Lilliput, where the tiny inhabitants look to take down their giant newcomer.

Jason Segel, Chris O'Dowd, James Corden and Catherine Tate also star.

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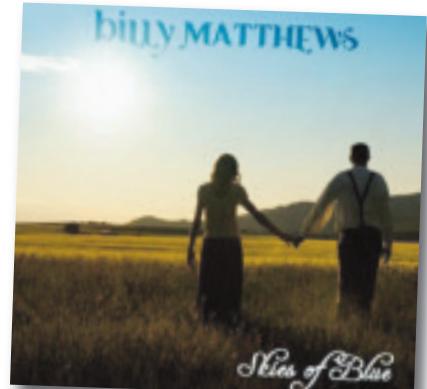
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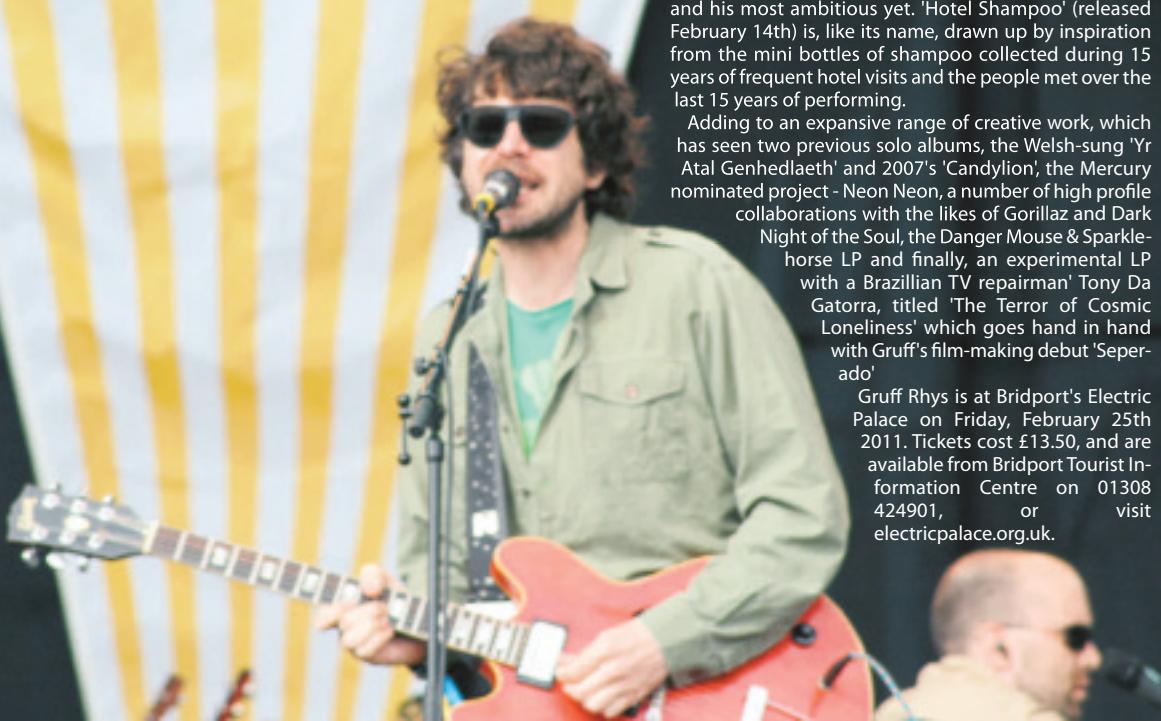
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Super Furry Animal for Bridport date

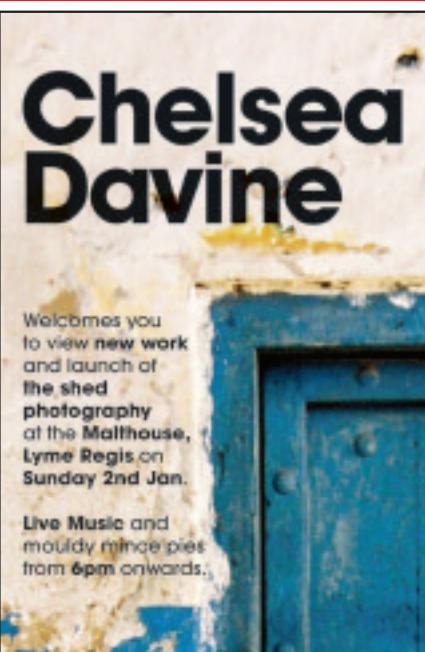
THE ever-eccentric Gruff Rhys, frontman of Super Furry Animals, is back to tour the UK with his third studio album, and his most ambitious yet. 'Hotel Shampoo' (released February 14th) is, like its name, drawn up by inspiration from the mini bottles of shampoo collected during 15 years of frequent hotel visits and the people met over the last 15 years of performing.

Adding to an expansive range of creative work, which has seen two previous solo albums, the Welsh-sung 'Yr Atal Genhlaeth' and 2007's 'Candylion', the Mercury nominated project - Neon Neon, a number of high profile collaborations with the likes of Gorillaz and Dark Night of the Soul, the Danger Mouse & Sparklehorse LP and finally, an experimental LP with a Brazilian TV repairman' Tony Da Gatorra, titled 'The Terror of Cosmic Loneliness' which goes hand in hand with Gruff's film-making debut 'Seperado'.

Gruff Rhys is at Bridport's Electric Palace on Friday, February 25th 2011. Tickets cost £13.50, and are available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901, or visit electricpalace.org.uk.



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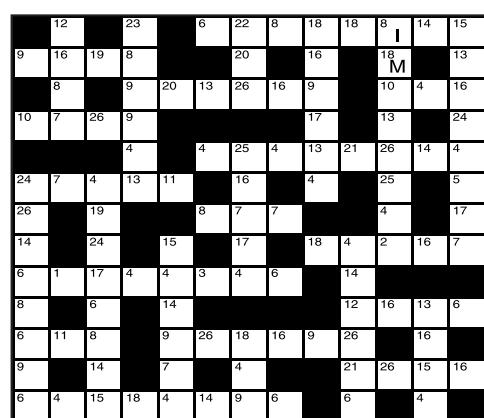
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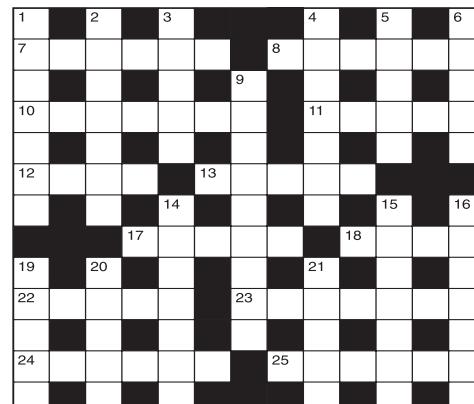
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- 8. A motto for the vegetarian (6)
- 10. Female Russian artisan, perhaps (7)
- 11. Proper ones need capital to start with (5)
- 12. Black bone structure (4)
- 13. It's hard hit when ironworkers strike (5)
- 17. It was put out and doesn't go (5)
- 18. Score about one and collapse (4)
- 22. Skill you need to be a sailor (5)
- 23. A single person? (7)
- 24. Was abusive, yet guarded? (6)
- 25. Go about two? (6)

Down

- 1. Protected from shock, though broken-hearted (7)
- 2. A first-former? (7)
- 3. Study I'm making of fabric (5)
- 4. Sole reinforcement (7)
- 5. Hazy in mind like a number having fever (5)
- 6. Give someone an occupation (5)
- 9. Blooming motor-race? (9)
- 14. More seasoned type of artiste (7)
- 15. Possibly one rule man has broken (7)
- 16. All the same, it suits some people (7)
- 19. A grain or a fruit (5)
- 20. She has different ideas (5)
- 21. Number seen about five (5)



DECEMBER 1st SOLUTIONS

CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Soho; 3 Carriage; 8 Silk; 9 Inaction; 11 Casual labour; 13 Repute; 14 Step up; 17 Take no notice; 20 Emotions; 21 Ettu; 22 Pinafore; 23 Free. Down: 1 Sash-cord; 2 Holds up; 4 Annuls; 5 Rock bottom; 6 Adieu; 7 Erne; 10 Past belief; 12 Appetite; 15 Printer; 16 Corner; 18 Adorn; 19 Keep. QUICK - Across: 1 Cant; 3 Artistic; 8 Nigh; 9 Animated; 11 Overpowering; 13 Nitwit; 14 Clever; 17 Ostentatious; 20 Anconda; 21 Same; 22 Demented; 23 Left. Down: 1 Confound; 2 Neglect; 4 Renown; 5 Immorality; 6 Titan; 7 Code; 10 Upside down; 12 Prospect; 15 Violate; 16 Stodge; 18 Swarm; 19 Hard.

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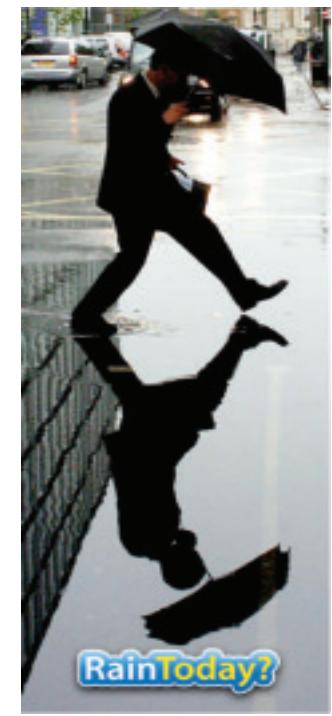
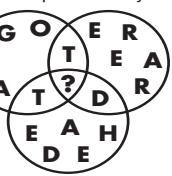
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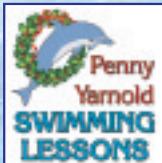

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AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE DOCTOR

DOCTOR Who has been one of the Beeb's biggest success stories since it returned in 2005, and the annual Christmas special is now one of the first shows people look for when the festive edition of *Radio Times* hits the shelves.

This year's tale - 'A Christmas Carol' - sees Matt Smith's Doctor in a quest to save loyal companions Amy and Rory from a doomed space liner. Michael Gambon plays the miserly character the episode's title hints at, whilst Welsh songstress Katherine Jenkins makes her acting debut.



Dr Who - A Christmas Carol

A Christmas TV preview by James Coles

CLASSIC CHRISTMAS

ONE of my highlights of the Christmas TV schedule has always been the BBC's annual ghost story offering. This tradition goes back to 1968 when the Beeb adapted M.R. James' tale, *Whistle And I'll Come To You*.

Now recognised as a TV classic, this spooky offering tells the story of introverted academic (Michael Hordern) who comes across a strange whistle whilst exploring a cemetery on the Norfolk coast.

This year the Beeb has gone full circle, remaking the story with John Hurt in the lead role. Interestingly, the new version doesn't actually feature a whistle, so I'll be watching not in the hope of the production equaling the original, but to discover how Hurt manages to summon the terrifying apparition in the first place! Find out Christmas Eve (BBC2, 9pm).

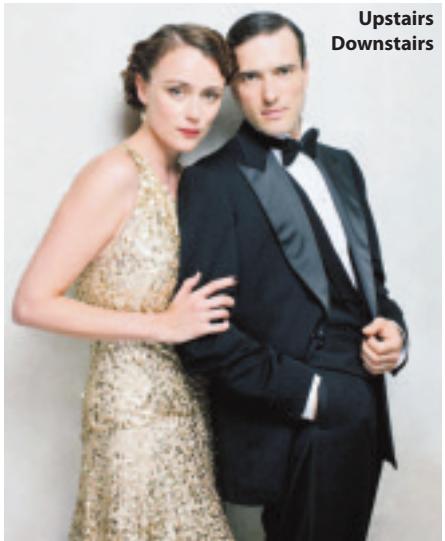
DRAMA

I'M TOO young to remember *Upstairs, Downstairs* the first time round, but I do have happy memories as a child, watching the re-runs on Channel 4 in the Eighties with my mum and dad (sharply followed by half of *That's*

Life, on the "other side," and then bed).

With ITV still reveling in the success of Julian Fellowes' *Downton Abbey*, how ironic that the Beeb's offering in this Battle of the Period Dramas originated on, yes, ITV. The LWT production first ran from 1971 through to 1975, and was massively successful, particularly in the States.

Rose Buck (played by the show's co-creator, Jean Marsh) is the only original character to return to Eaton Place in this new three-parter, having worked her way up to the role of housekeeper. The show also stars Eileen Atkins, the show's other co-creator, as Lady Maud Holland.



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Other famous faces to look out for include Keeley Hawes (*Ashes To Ashes*) and Ed Stoppard. Catch up with goings on at Number 165 each night from Boxing Day through to December 28th (BBC1, 9pm).

* IT SEEMS strange it's taken this long for David Suchet to star in an adaptation of 'Murder On The Orient Express', one of the more famous titles in Agatha Christie's series of Hercule Poirot stories.

If you're one of the few people who don't know whodunnit - or even if you aren't - tune in Christmas Day (ITV1, 9pm).

Suchet has made the role of the famous Belgian detective his own, and with this story and the forthcoming 'The Clocks' under his belt, he - amazingly - only has four novels left to film.

Not to be outdone, Julia McKenzie's take on Christie's other legendary sleuth - Miss Marple - also has a Christmas outing. 'The Secret of Chimneys' is on Christmas Bank Holiday Monday and 'The Blue Geranium' follows on December 29th (both ITV1, 9pm).

JUST FOR LAUGHS

EVERYONE enjoys a good giggle at Christmas and there's plenty of Christmas comedy to enjoy.

Rock 'n' roll legend Ronnie Wood and Hollywood star Thandie Newton are amongst the guests on Vic and Bob's festive edition of *Shooting Stars* (December 30th, BBC2, 9pm).

Originally intended as a one-off, John Sullivan serves up another serving of his *Only Fools* prequel, *Rock & Chips*, on December 29th (BBC1, 9pm).

Rodney's still a baby but Del's managed to get engaged to two girls at the same time. What it lacks in belly laughs it more than makes up for in some cracking performances - and Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas without the Trotters.

The seventh season of *Peep Show* comes to a close over the Christmas period with a special festive edition on Christmas Eve (Channel 4, 10:05pm) which



Just William

forms part of a special evening devoted to the show. The night also features a new documentary and two classic episodes. The series concludes on December 29th (Channel 4, 10pm) where the hopeless duo see in the New Year.

The Royle Family make their annual return with a new special - 'Joe's Crackers' - on Christmas Day (BBC1, 9pm), which is followed by the first episode of *Come Fly With Me*, a new spoof documentary series from *Little Britain* stars David Walliams and Matt Lucas.

Other Christmas crackers to look out for include *2010 Unwrapped* with Miranda Hart (Christmas Bank Holiday Tuesday, BBC2, 11pm) and *The Rob Brydon Show* (December 30th, BBC2, 9pm).

And don't miss Ronnie Corbett and friends in *The One Ronnie* (Christmas Day, BBC1, 5:10pm). It can't and won't be the same without the late, great Ronnie Barker, but plenty of laughs are still guaranteed all the same.

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

THERE'S plenty of family fun on the box over Christmas. But if you choose just the one show, I'm not sure you can go wrong with the new adaptation of Richmal Crompton's *Just William*, starring Daniel Roche of *Outnumbered* fame in the lead role.

This new four-part begins on Christmas Bank Holiday Tuesday in a lunchtime slot (12:30pm) on BBC1. Clearly aimed at the kids, there will still be plenty of laughs for mum and dad.

AT THE MOVIES

SINCE the advent of DVD and multi-channel TV, the stature of the big Christmas premiere has somewhat lost its stature - chances are, you've already seen it.

But, nevertheless, there's a whole bunch of movies making their first appearance on terrestrial over the festive season. With *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* now at the cinema, it's a good time to catch up on the Chronicles of Narnia with its predecessor, *Prince Caspian* (Christmas Eve, BBC1, 5:15pm).

The fourth and, so we're told, final Shrek film has just been released on DVD, but *Shrek The Third* debuts on BBC1 on Christmas Day (BBC1, 3:10pm).

Amy Adams stars in another film for all the family - romantic fantasy *Enchanted* - on Boxing Day (BBC1, 3:25pm) and Jim Carrey takes the lead role in *Lemony Snicket's A Series Of Unfortunate Events* on December 30th (BBC1, 4:45pm).

Older audiences may enjoy the premieres of sci-fi horror *I Am Legend* (Christmas Bank Holiday Tuesday, ITV1, 9pm) with Will Smith, and Cate Blanchett in *Elizabeth: The Golden Age* (New Year's Eve, ITV1, 9:10pm).

BEST OF THE REST

BBC2 offers two Boxing Day treats which will both be on my 'must see' list.



Rock and Chips

This year's *Top Gear* special sees the Three (Un)Wise Men in the Middle East, re-enacting a journey first made a couple of thousand years ago.

Jeremy, James and Richard drive through modern day Turkey, Syria and, err, Iraq in a trio of open top sports cars - hardly ideal for the desert terrain but it all adds to the fun.

Following this, there's a brand new TV movie, *When Harvey Met Bob*, which tells the story of the whole Band Aid / Live Aid phenomena of the mid-Eighties. Ian Hart stars as promoter Harvey Goldsmith, with Domhall Gleeson as the main man, Bob Geldof.

But for the ultimate Christmas treat, don't miss *Swingin' Christmas* (Christmas Day, BBC2, 9:20pm). This celebration of festive musical treats from the "golden age of swing" is presented by Michael Parkinson, and features The John Wilson Orchestra with guest soloists including Seth MacFarlane of *Family Guy* fame! The Christmas classics include 'Winter Wonderland,' 'Baby It's Cold Outside,' 'Let It Snow' and 'White Christmas.'

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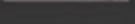
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Christmas Facts

✿ "HOT cockles" was a popular game at Christmas in medieval times. It was a game in which the other players took turns striking the blindfolded player, who had to guess the name of the person delivering each blow. "Hot cockles" was still a Christmas pastime until the Victorian era.

✿ "WASSAIL" comes from the Old Norse "ves heill"--to be of good health. This evolved into the tradition of visiting neighbours on Christmas Eve and drinking to their health.

✿ ONE in three men will wait until Christmas Eve to finish their shopping.

✿ ONE in six men would like to get rid of all the "gift-giving nonsense."

✿ A CHRISTMAS club, a savings account in which a person deposits a fixed amount of money regularly to be used at Christmas for shopping, came about around 1905.

✿ ACCORDING to a 1995 survey, seven out of ten British dogs get Christmas gifts from their doting owners.

✿ AN ARTIFICIAL spider and web are often included in the decorations on Ukrainian Christmas trees. A spider web found on Christmas morning is believed to bring good luck.

✿ AUSTRALIAN priests suggest saying 'Happy Christmas'

instead of Merry Christmas since 'merry' often referred to drinking alcohol.

✿ BASED on a 1999 estimated population count of North America and Europe, on Christmas Eve of that year Santa Claus had to visit 42,466,666 homes in a 12-hour period - that's 983 homes per second.

✿ BASED on previous surveys, 17 per cent of partygoers will embarrass themselves in some way at the office Christmas party.

✿ BETHLEHEM is not only a town in Israel, but is also located along the banks of Afon Tywi in Carmarthenshire, Wales.

✿ CANDY canes began as straight white sticks of sugar candy used to decorate the Christmas trees. A choirmaster at Cologne Cathedral decided to have the ends bent to depict a shepherd's crook and he would pass them out to the children to keep them quiet during the services. It wasn't until about the 20th century that candy canes acquired their red stripes.

✿ CHRISTMAS crackers were invented by Thomas Smith. He had imported some French novelties to sell as Christmas gifts, but these were not popular until he wrapped them up and added a snapper.

✿ CHRISTMAS Day in the Ukraine can be celebrated on either December 25, in faithful alliance with the Roman Catholic Gregorian calendar, or on January 7, which is the Orthodox or Eastern Rite (Julian calendar), the church holy day.

✿ CHRISTMAS is a summer holiday in South Africa. Children are fond of the age-old custom of producing pantomimes - for instance, "Babes in the Wood," founded on one of the oldest ballads in the English language. Boxing Day on December 26th, when boxes of food and clothing are given to the poor, is observed as a holiday.

✿ CHRISTMAS presents were known in antiquity among kings and chieftains, especially on the European continent. However, they have been common among ordinary people in Iceland only during the past 100 or so years.

✿ CHRISTMAS stockings - when Santa lived in Turkey, he secretly gave money to three daughters by dropping it down the chimney. It landed in their stockings which were drying by the fire.

✿ CHRISTMAS themed place names around the UK include Christmas Common (Oxfordshire), Holly Green (Buckinghamshire), Turkey Island (West Sussex) and Cranberry (Staffordshire)

✿ DURING the Christmas/Hanukkah season, more than 1.76 billion candy canes will be made.

✿ ELECTRIC Christmas tree lights were first used in 1895. The idea for using electric Christmas lights came from an American, Ralph E. Morris. The new lights proved safer than the traditional candles.

✿ ENGLAND has only known seven white Christmases in the entire 20th century. According to the records of the Meteorological Office in London, snow fell on Christmas Day only in 1938 and 1976. (The definition of a white Christmas in England is when one snowflake falls on the roof of the London Weather Centre.)

✿ FATHER CHRISTMAS - was apparently born in Turkey in the fourth century, but no-one is sure when he moved to the North Pole.

✿ FATHER CHRISTMAS always has a Nordmann fir.

✿ FATHER CHRISTMAS has two addresses, Edinburgh and the North

Pole. Letters addressed to 'TOYLAND' or 'SNOWLAND' go to Edinburgh, but letters addressed to 'THE NORTH POLE' have to be sent there because there really is such a place!

✿ FORMERLY called Kiritimati, Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean is 52 square miles.

✿ FRANKINCENSE is a sweet smelling gum resin derived from certain Boswellia trees which, at the time of Christ, grew in Arabia, India, and Ethiopia. Tradition says that it was presented to the Christ Child by Balthasar, the black king from Ethiopia or Saba. The frankincense trade was at its height during the days of the Roman Empire. At that time this resin was considered as valuable as gems or precious metals. The Romans burned frankincense on their altars and at cremations.

✿ GREEKS do not use Christmas trees or give presents at Christmas. A priest may throw a little cross into the village water to drive the kallikantzaroi (gremlin-like spirits) away. To keep them from hiding in dark, dusty corners, he goes from house to house sprinkling holy water.

✿ HALLMARK introduced its first Christmas cards in 1915, five years after the founding of the company.

✿ IN 1937, the first postage stamp to commemorate Christmas was issued in Austria.

✿ IN AUSTRIA and Germany during the 17th and 18th centuries, the tops of evergreens were cut and hung upside down in a living room corner. They were decorated with apples, nuts and strips of red paper.

✿ IN GERMANY, Twelfth Night is known as 'Three Kings Day'. In Mexico, the poinsettia plant is called 'Flower of the Holy Night'.

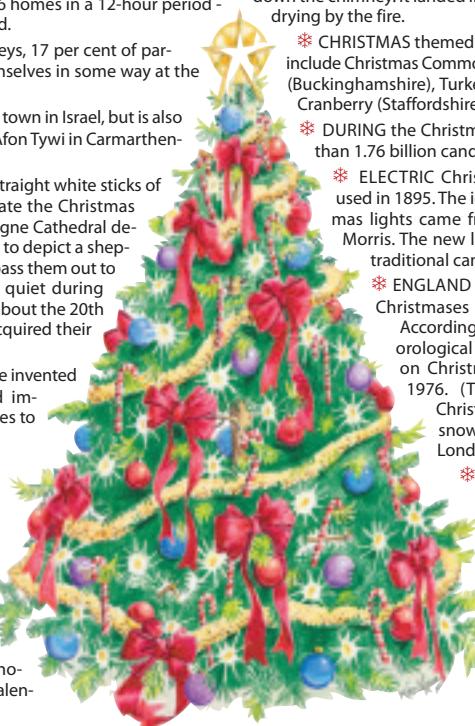
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What shall we do with the left overs?

YOUR menu for the big day on December 25th has probably long been decided upon but what of that famous Boxing Day staple - Christmas dinner remnants. When I 'twas a lad, the clean up operation would begin on tea time of the 25th and would involve cold sprouts and mayonnaise. I shudder at the thought now. So if by the time you sit down in front of Her Majesty you are wondering just how much turkey the cat will put up with, then here are some ideas for you.

Let's start with the beast that takes centre stage of most Christmas day tables. Turkey is a wonderful meat, and seriously under-used most of the year. Its size means you can find yourself with a lot of good, lean breast, while the contrast between the light and dark can provide interest and texture when used in other dishes. An outstanding use for the relics is to use it in a pie, preferably with ham - which many people also have around.



A festive food view by Richard Coles

A pie is an excellent thing to sit in the fridge in the Christmas/New Year week to feed guests. Once made, it is quick, easy, impressive even. Simply make plenty of shortcrust pastry (or even buy), and use in to line a deep dish and then bake blind. Meanwhile, make a thick Béchamel sauce and season with plenty of tasty herbs and spices. Add to it your cold turkey and ham, ensuring that it's not too wet so the mixture holds when you cut the pie. Now simply top with more pastry and bake. Perfect.

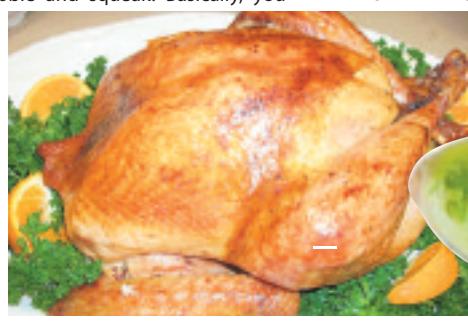
Secondly, I'm sure you'll have plates of veg here and there. You could go down the sprout and mayo route, but experience forbids me to recommend. Alternatively, there is soup, but I would plump for Christmas bubble and squeak. Basically, you

need potatoes and greens, lightly crushed. You also, I'm afraid, need both a heavy bottom pan (preferably cast iron) and lard. As Clarissa Dickson-Wright says: "If you don't want to use lard then go and cook something else".

Olive oil et al will just leave you with mush, but a good hard fat will give you a true treat of a lunch before you begin to count calories again on January 1st.

Finally, find a simple ice cream recipe (essentially cream and sugar, although I also use egg yolks), but at the final stage crumble left over Christmas pudding in it. Personally, I'm not a fan of it in its normal state, but in suspension of frozen cream and sugar is fantastic!

So this year look at your left overs with war-time zest. Each plate of sad, unwanted grub can be a feast in itself during the week so the foodie celebration can continue. Whatever you eat this Yuletide, richest blessings for a very Merry Christmas.



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Christmas Television - Friday, December 24th 2010

*The Chronicles of Narnia:
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BBC 1



BBC 2



ITV 1



Channel 4



Channel 5



06:00 Breakfast (S), 09:00 Horrible Histories (R) (S), 09:30 The Slammer (R) (S), 10:00 Christmas Kitchen (S)

11:30 The Santa Clause 2 (Film) Humorous, festive sequel as the Santa realises that there is a clause in his contract which states that he needs a wife, or else he will lose his job. (S)

13:10 BBC News (S)

13:25 Spotlight News (S)

13:35 Only Fools and Horses Time on Our Hands. Special Episode 18. The final part of a three-part 1996 Christmas special of John Sullivan's popular sitcom. (R) (S)

14:35 Jimmy's Christmas Food Factory Farmer Jimmy Doherty reveals the secrets of supermarket food. Using farmyard and household junk, (R) (S)

15:05 Cars (Film) Animated film adventure from Pixar. After becoming stranded in a small town, an arrogant rookie sports car finds love and discovers the true meaning of friendship. (S)

16:55 Shrek the Halls (Film) animated comedy film. Having left his festive plans to the last minute, Shrek faces a mad dash to create the perfect first Christmas for the baby ogres. (R) (S)

17:15 The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian (Film) Children's fantasy film, sequel to The Chronicles of Narnia: the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. (S)

19:35 BBC News (S)

19:50 Spotlight News (S)

20:00 EastEnders Phil's plan to expose Glenda has unexpected consequences, while Peter has a shocking parting shot for Ian before leaving for good. (S)

20:30 My Family Special Episode 6. Festive edition of the family sitcom. (S)

21:30 QI Series 8, episode 15. Stephen Fry conjures up some hocus-pocus in a special Christmas edition of the quiz. (S)

22:00 Have I Got News for You Christmas Special A festive edition of the popular news quiz with team captains Paul Merton and Ian Hislop. (S)

22:30 The Graham Norton Show The award-winning host gets into the festive spirit with a Christmas edition of his anarchic talk show. (S)

23:15 The National Lottery Draws (S)

23:30 BBC News (S)

23:45 Midnight Mass at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral (S), 01:10

Weatherview (S), 01:15 The Money Pit (Film) (S), 02:40 BBC News (BBC One joins the BBC's rolling news channel for a night of news, with bulletins on the hour and the headlines every 15 minutes. (S)

06:00 The Large Family (R) (S), 06:10 Charlie and Lola (R) (S), 06:30 Zoo Lane (R) (S), 06:45 Postman Pat (R) (S), 07:00 The League of Super Evil (R) (S), 07:15 Sam and Mark's Guide to Dodging Disaster (R) (S), 07:40 Little Howard's Big Christmas Question (R) (S), 08:05 Eliot Kid (R) (S), 08:20 Pinky and Perky (R) (S), 08:35 Shaun the Sheep (R) (S), 08:45 Animal Park (R) (S), 09:30 Climbing Great Buildings (R) (S)

10:00 The Fox and the Child (Film) Set in the Jura mountains in Eastern France, this adventure drama explores the peculiar relationship that develops between a 10-year-old girl and a fox. (S)

11:30 Under Suspicion (Film) thriller in which a timid heiress becomes convinced that her husband is trying to kill her. After escaping from her oppressive parents, the woman meets and marries a fortune hunter. (S)

13:05 She Wore a Yellow Ribbon (Film)

Western drama with John Wayne as a US Cavalry officer on his last duty before retiring: escorting two women civilians to a stagecoach. (S)

14:45 Mozart's Don Giovanni from Glyndebourne With Brindley Sherratt, Anna Samuil, William Burden, Gerald Finley, Luca Pisaroni, Kate Royal. (S)

17:45 Celebrity Eggheads Dermot Murnaghan hosts a celebrity special of the show where every day a new team of challengers take on probably the greatest quiz team in Britain. (S)

18:15 Dad's Army Dinner Series 7, episode 6. Classic wartime sitcom. Mainwaring's Home Guard platoon decides to give a turkey dinner to the old-age pensioners of Walmington-on-Sea. (R) (S)

18:45 Carols from King's A solo chorister singing Once In Royal David's City begins this traditional celebration of Christmas from the Chapel of King's College, Cambridge. (S)

20:00 Edwardian Farm It is April and the fishing season has arrived - a time when Devon's 'fisherman-farmers' went to sea. (S)

21:00 Whistle and I'll Come to You A chilling drama based on the Edwardian ghost story Oh, Whistle and I'll come to You, My Lad by MR James, adapted for BBC Two by Neil Cross. (S)

21:55 The Many Faces of Alison Steadman Alison Steadman talks about her impressive career, featuring archive footage and testimony from friends and colleagues. (S)

22:55 Gavin and Stacey The hit sitcom returns for a festive special as Nessa and the Wests head east, with some help from Dave and his coach. (R) (S)

23:55 The Worst Christmas of My Life It's Christmas Eve and as the preparations build so does Howard's troubles. (R) (S)

00:25 The Goodies and the Beanstalk (R) (S), 01:10 Medium (R) (S), 01:55 Medium (R) (S), 02:35 Pages from Ceefax

06:00 Daybreak (S), 08:30 Lorraine (S), 09:25 This Morning (S)

10:40 Casper (Film) Visual effects-laden family fare about a lonely boy-ghost who befriends a young girl. Ghost-hunter Dr James Harvey is called to a mysterious old house by its new owner, grasping heiress Carrigan. (S)

12:30 ITV News and Weather (S)

12:55 Miracle on 34th Street (Film)

Christmas fantasy. A young girl claims that she does not believe in Father Christmas (S)

15:00 The Queen (Film) In the wake of a national tragedy, the prime minister and royal family find themselves quietly at odds. The initial reluctance of Buckingham Palace to mourn Diana is seen by the public as a sign of cool emotional distance. (S)

16:55 Countrywise at Christmas In a special festive edition, Paul Heiney and the team travel to Cornwall - a place of myths, legends and Stargazey pie. They visit the beautiful fishing village of Mousehole to discover how the sea has shaped the celebration of Christmas in this close-knit community. (R) (S)

17:55 The Santa Files with John Sergeant

John Sergeant investigates the truth behind the stories about that jovial, white-bearded man dressed in red who is so vital to the festive season. John goes on an incredible journey which begins in Turkey, goes north to Scandinavia and crosses the ocean to New York. Along the way, he goes to Santa School, where he learns how to climb chimneys, and visits Santa's grotto. (S)

18:50 ITV News and Weather (S)

19:00 Emmerdale On the eve of the wedding Chas continues to have cold feet. (S)

19:30 Coronation Street Christmas Eve arrives and families prepare to remember those they have lost. (S)

20:00 You've Been Framed! Christmas Special. Harry Hill presents a festive edition of his entertainment show. Dropping in for some seasonal fun is the divine Bette Midler, who will be chatting and performing. (S)

21:00 Paul O'Grady's Christmas Paul O'Grady presents a bumper festive edition of his entertainment show. Dropping in for some seasonal fun is the divine Bette Midler, who will be chatting and performing. (S)

22:00 ITV News and Weather (S)

22:15 The Holiday (Film) Seasonal romantic comedy about two single women on opposite sides of the Atlantic who, depressed at their love lives in the run-up to Christmas. (S)

00:45 Christmas Tales (R) (S)

01:40 Dead Calm (Film) An Australian naval officer and his young wife embark on a yachting trip to help them recover from a family tragedy. (S)

03:20 ITV Nightscreen

05:55 ITV Morning News (S)

06:00 Sali Mali (R) (S), 06:15 The Treachery People (R) (S), 06:15 Yo Gabba Gabba! (R) (S), 06:40 Freshly Squeezed .

07:10 Frasier (R) (S), 07:35 According to Jim (R) (S), 08:00 Olive the Other Reindeer (R) (S), 09:00 Friends (R) (S), 09:30 Friends (R) (S), 10:00 The Simpsons (R) (S), 10:30 Cheryl Cole T4 Special (R) (S), 10:45 Glee (R) (S)

11:40 Jingle All the Way (Film) Harassed businessman Howard tells his little boy he'll buy him a Turboman for Christmas, only to find that every store has sold out. (S)

13:20 The Snowman Channel 4's most celebrated animation is this classic story from Raymond Briggs. (R) (S)

13:50 Prep and Landing Emmy award-winning animation Prep and Landing is the story of an elite unit of elves who ensure that every house around the world is ready for a visit from Santa Claus. (R) (S)

14:20 Celebrity Come Dine with Me Football legend Rodney Marsh, Birdsof a Feather actress Lesley Joseph, broadcaster and writer Paul Ross, ex-model Abi Titmuss and 80s glamour girl Linda Lusardi take it in turns to throw a dinner party in their own style. (R) (S)

14:50 Celebrity Come Dine with Me Lesley Joseph loves entertaining, but admits her cooking isn't the best. (R) (S)

15:25 Celebrity Come Dine with Me On the first two nights of the celebrity culinary competition, Paul Ross put his trademark bluntness to stinging use to criticise Rodney Marsh and Lesley Joseph's food (R) (S)

15:55 Celebrity Come Dine with Me Abi Titmuss is better known for peeling off her clothes than peeling her onions but, unimpressed by the other hosts' cooking so far, she's determined to prove that some celebrities can cook, with an exotic five-course menu. (R) (S)

16:25 Celebrity Come Dine with Me It's the last day of the celebrity culinary competition and time for one of the stars to walk off with the £1,000 charity prize. (R) (S)

17:00 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)

18:00 A Christmas Carol (Film) Kelsey Grammer of Frasier fame plays Ebenezer Scrooge in this star-studded musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic Christmas tale. (S)

19:40 Channel 4 News (S)

19:55 4thought.tv, (S), 20:00 One Born at Christmas (S), 21:00 Peep Show and Tell (S)

22:05 Peep Show, 22:40 Peep Show (R) (S),

23:15 Peep Show (R) (S), 23:50 Chris

Moyle's Christmas Quiz Night (R) (S)

00:40 The Moonbird (S), 00:55 Hero (Film) (S), 02:35 King of the Hill (S), 03:00 This Week's 4music Top 20 (S), 04:45 ER (R) (S), 05:30 One Tree Hill (S)

06:00 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), 06:10 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S), 06:20 The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky (R) (S), 06:35 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures (R) (S), 06:40 Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic (R) (S), 06:50 Peppa Pig (R) (S), 07:00 The Wotwots! (R) (S), 07:10 Thomas and Friends (S), 08:15 Fifi and the Flowertots (R) (S), 08:30 Peppa Pig (S), 08:40 Peppa Pig (S) 08:45 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S), 08:55 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom (R) (S), 09:10 Little Princess (R) (S), 09:25 Olivia (R) (S), 09:40 The Mr. Men Show (R) (S), 10:00 K-9, 10:35 Penguin

Week with Nigel Marven Ground-breaking series in which filmmaker Nigel Marven meets and documents four different species of penguin in their own environment - the Antarctic island of South Georgia. (R) (S), 11:05 Zoo Days Babirusa Pigs. Highlights of the documentary series exploring life for the residents and staff at Colchester and Chester Zoos. (R) (S)

11:15 Zoo Days Documentary series based at Chester Zoo. Strolch goes under the knife. Jaguar couple Salvador and Sofia are reunited after some time apart. Elsewhere, a spider monkey arrives from France to work his Gallic charm on the girls. (R) (S)

11:45 Five News (S)

11:55 I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus (Film) Festive family fun based on the traditional song of the same name. (S)

13:40 Neighbours As the rift between Lyn, Karl and Susan deepens, Steph encourages Lyn not to throw away her friendship with Susan. Sam grows suspicious of the Kennedy family - is she about to discover Libby's secret? (S)

14:10 Single Santa Seeks Mrs. Claus (Film) Seasonal romance. A high-flying career woman and single mother with no time for love is unexpectedly wooed by Santa's son and heir. (S)

16:00 Scrooge (Film) Memorable cinematic adaptation of Dickens's classic story. Alastair Sim stars as the miser who discovers the true meaning of Christmas through his encounters with the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future. (S)

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18:15 Monkey Life Series about Dorset's Monkey World Ape Rescue Centre. As winter grips the park, the chimps enjoy throwing snowballs in the icy weather. (S)

18:45 Last Action Hero (Film) Fantasy meets reality in this big-budget action adventure. Eleven-year-old Danny is given a magic ticket by a strange cinema projectionist and is transported into the film he is watching. (S)

21:00 Greatest Christmas TV Moments A three-hour countdown of some of Christmas TV's greatest moments. (S)

00:05 Super Casino, 03:55 World Poker Tour Paris, 04:45 Street Market Chefs, 05:10 Michaela's Wild Challenge (R) (S), 05:35 Michaela's Wild Challenge (R) (S)

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Christmas Television - Saturday, December 25th 2010



BBC 1



BBC 2



ITV 1



Channel 4



Channel 5



06:00 Breakfast (S), 09:00 **The Sarah Jane Adventures** (R) (S), 09:50 **Shaun the Sheep** (R) (S), 10:00 **Christmas Day Eucharist from Tewkesbury Abbey** (S)

11:00 The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (Film) Colourful Disney adventure comedy sequel. Santa has problems: it's a few days before Christmas and toy production is lagging. (S)

12:25 Madagascar (Film) Animated comedy about four spoiled animals from New York Central Zoo whose botched escape attempt finds them stranded in the Madagascar jungle with no experience of the wild. (S)

13:45 BBC News (S)

14:00 Top of the Pops Christmas 2010 Top of the Pops returns for Christmas Day, sprinkling the best music over the merry season with a special one-hour show. (S)

15:00 The Queen's Speech Her Majesty the Queen's Christmas message to the nation and the Commonwealth. (S)

15:10 Shrek The Third (Film) Second sequel in the popular animated fantasy franchise. Newlyweds Shrek and Fiona face their first marital hurdle when the sudden death of King Harold means Shrek himself is next in line. (S)

16:30 The Gruffalo (Film) Animated film based on the classic children's picture book written by Julia Donaldson and illustrated by Axel Scheffler. (S)

17:00 BBC News (S)

17:10 The One Ronnie One of Britain's most enduring and best-loved comics, Ronnie Corbett, turned 80 earlier this month. (S)

18:00 Doctor Who Christmas Carol. Special Episode 9. Festive edition of the time-travelling drama. Amy and Rory are trapped on a crashing space liner, and the only way The Doctor can rescue them is to save the soul of a lonely old miser. (S)

19:00 Strictly Come Dancing Christmas Special Bruce Forsyth and Tess Daly host a Christmas spectacular as five new celebrities take up the ballroom challenge. Broadcaster Fern Britton, actress and comedienne Ronni Ancona, business secretary Vince Cable, EastEnders legend June Brown and star of stage and screen John Barrowman all compete on the dancefloor. (S)

20:00 EastEnders As the residents of Walford celebrate Christmas, Janine carries out her final, devastating act of revenge against Stacey - will Max and Ryan be able to save her before it's too late? (S)

21:00 The Royle Family Joe's Crackers. Special Episode 6. Seasonal edition of the comedy drama. It is Christmas Day in the Royle household and Barbara is up to her eyes in it, as Jim is out of action following an unfortunate incident in the precinct. (S)

22:00 Come Fly with Me Comedy series set in a busy airport featuring characters played by Matt Lucas and David Walliams. (S)

22:30 BBC News (S)

22:45 On Christmas Night, (S),

22:50 Starsky and Hutch (Film) Affectionate spoof based on the classic 1970s TV show. (S)

00:25 A Fish Called Wanda (Film) Offbeat black comedy in which a con artist uses her female charms to steal a stash of jewels from her gangster boyfriend, taking advantage of his henchman and a lawyer - with whom she later falls in love - to realise her cunning plan. (S)

02:10 Weatherview (S), 02:15 **BBC News** (S)

06:00 The Large Family (R) (S), 06:10 **3rd and Bird** (R) (S), 06:30 **Penelope**, (R) (S), 06:35 **Something Special - A Christmas Special** (R) (S), 07:00 **Dani's House** (R) (S), 07:30 **The Story of Tracy Beaker** (R) (S), 07:45 **What's New Scooby-Doo?** (R) (S)

08:05 Eliot Kid (R) (S) **08:20 Shaun the Sheep** (R) (S) **08:30 Jinx** (R) (S), 08:55 **Animal Park** (R) (S)

09:55 The Meerkats (Film) Dramatised documentary featuring the coming of age of a young meerkat pup, Kolo, growing up in the Kalahari desert. (S)

11:15 Singin' in the Rain (Film) Classic Hollywood musical set during the difficult transition from silent movies to talkies. (S)

12:55 The Man Who Would be King (Film) Colourful, historical epic in which two British soldiers in colonial India venture to uncharted realms in search of wealth and power. (S)

15:00 Birmingham Royal Ballet's Cinderella The world premiere of Birmingham Royal Ballet's production of Prokofiev's Cinderella, created by the company's director and choreographer David Bintley and designer John Macfarlane. (S)

17:00 The Queen's Speech Her Majesty the Queen's Christmas message to the nation and the Commonwealth. (S)

17:10 The Private Life of a Christmas Masterpiece The Adoration of the Christ Child. Episode 2. Painted over five centuries ago, Filippo Lippi's nativity is like no other: the birth of Christ in a dark, wooded wilderness. (S)

18:00 Carols for Christmas Day: From Winchester Cathedral A feast of Christmas carols by candlelight from the Choir of Winchester Cathedral. (S)

19:00 Top Gear Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May compare the Mercedes SLS, the Porsche 911 GT3 RS and the Ferrari 458 Italia in an epic road trip up America's east coast. (S)

20:00 Dad's Army For the Love of Three Oranges. Special Episode 1. A special Christmas episode of the classic sitcom from 1976. (R) (S)

20:35 Blackadder's Christmas Carol Seasonal comedy special. Christmas Eve, 1850. (R) (S)

21:20 Swingin' Christmas Michael Parkinson presents the sensational John Wilson Orchestra in a celebration of festive musical treats (S)

22:45 Miranda The Perfect Christmas. Series 2, episode 6. It's Christmas and Miranda, for once, would like a relaxing and fun time without her parents. (R) (S)

23:15 Have I Got a Bit More News for You The popular news quiz returns, with team captains Paul Merton and Ian Hislop (R) (S)

00:00 Being Ronnie Corbett (S), 01:00 **TOTP2 Christmas 2010** (R) (S), 02:30 Pages from Ceefax

06:00 Bobbins (R) (S), 06:15 **Bobbins** (R) (S), 06:25 **Fireman Sam** (R) (S), 06:35 **The Hive** (S), 06:45 **Dora the Explorer** (S), 07:10 **Babar and the Adventures of Badou** (R) (S), 07:25 **Monk** (S), 07:30 **Back at the Barnyard** (R) (S), 07:45 **Horrid Henry** (R) (S)

08:05 The Little Polar Bear (Film) Animation based on a series of Dutch children's books by Hans de Beer. Polar bear cub Lars meets and befriends a seal named Robby. (S)

09:25 Carols at Christmas A candlelit Christmas carol service from CHASE Children's Hospice in Guildford. (R) (S)

09:50 Family Film of the Decade What have been the greatest family films of the past ten years? (R) (S)

10:50 Santa Claus (Film) fantasy about a disillusioned elf who leaves the hard labour of Santa's North Pole workshop for the bright lights of New York (S)

12:55 ITV News and Weather (S)

13:10 The Polar Express (Film) Computer-animated family adventure. A young boy who does not believe in Santa Claus is shocked to see a train stop outside his window on Christmas Eve destined for the North Pole. (S)

15:00 HM the Queen The Queen gives her annual Christmas message to the nation and the Commonwealth. (S)

15:10 How the Grinch Stole Christmas (Film) Live-action adaptation of the classic children's story by Dr Seuss about an embittered creature who hatches a plan to steal Christmas from the citizens of Whoville. (S)

17:00 ITV News and Weather (S)

17:15 You've Been Framed! Christmas Special Harry Hill presents a festive edition of the home video show featuring Christmas catastrophes (S)

18:00 Emmerdale The day of the wedding dawns - but will Chas go through with her plan? (S)

19:00 Coronation Street As the Rovers is transformed into a winter wonderland, some residents face Christmas Day alone. (S)

20:00 All Star Family Fortunes Vernon Kay hosts a seasonal special in which teams from This Morning and Emmerdale go head to head as they try to win up to £30,000 for their chosen charities. (S)

21:00 Poirot Murder on the Orient Express. Series 12, episode 4. In Istanbul, Hercule Poirot boards the Orient Express to London alongside a array of glamorous international passengers. (R) (S)

23:00 ITV News and Weather (S)

23:15 You, Me and Dupree (Film) Chaotic comedy. Newlyweds Carl and Molly are settling in to enjoy their lives together when their marital bliss is shattered by the arrival of Carl's freewheeling best friend Dupree. (S)

01:40 Clockwise (Film) Manic comedy about the misadventures of an obsessively punctual comprehensive school headmaster who sets out to give an important speech to a conference of headteachers. (S)

03:05 Police Academy (Film) (S), 04:40 **ITV Nightscreen**, 05:55 **ITV Morning News** (S)

05:30 One Tree Hill (S), 06:20 **Famous Fred** (R) (S), 06:45 **Little Wolf's Book of Badness** (R) (S), 07:15 **Friends** (R) (S), 07:45 **The Simpsons** (R) (S), 08:15 **Friends** (R) (S)

08:50 The Muppet Christmas Carol (Film) The Muppets take on Dickens' festive classic, starring a remarkably game Michael Caine as Scrooge, with Kermit as Bob Cratchit, Miss Piggy (S)

10:30 The Simpsons (R) (S)

11:00 Glee Hairography. Series 1, episode 11. Sue remains hell-bent on destroying Will's glee club and gives the New Directions' set list to their rival glee clubs. (R) (S)

12:00 One Born at Christmas While the birth of every baby is a joyous occasion, December 25 is undeniably a special day on which to be born. (S)

13:00 Scrooged (Film) The only thing mean-spirited TV president Frank Cross wants for Christmas is the biggest ratings. (S)

14:50 One Born at Christmas One Born at Christmas returns to the Princess Anne Hospital for live updates, and includes Channel 4's Alternative Christmas Message. (S)

15:50 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)

16:00 One Born at Christmas One Born at Christmas joins the Princess Anne Hospital for live updates, as well as behind-the-scenes footage of the working life of the hospital (S)

17:50 Channel 4 News (S)

17:55 Come Dine with Me Celebrity Christmas Special. It's festive cheer all round in this brand-new episode as four celebrities battle it out. Taking part are metal-mouthed Drum 'n' Bass DJ, Goldie; 70s crooner Tony Christie; Blue Peter's finest, Janet Ellis; and actress Susie Amy, best known as Chardonnay from Footballers' Wives. (R) (S)

19:00 Edward Scissorhands (Film) Tim Burton's dark fantasy stars Johnny Depp in the title role, a humanoid construct made by The Inventor but whose hands - long, sharp blades - are left unfinished following his creator's death. (S)

21:00 One Born at Christmas As the day draws to a close, One Born at Christmas updates viewers on all that's happened on the maternity ward and meets new parents and their very special Christmas deliveries. (S)

22:00 Alan Carr: Tooth Fairy Live Alan Carr recorded this live performance at the Hammersmith Apollo in May 2007 to a sell-out audience. (R) (S)

23:05 4thought.tv 4thought.tv hears why Christmas carols mean so much to so many, and finds out the nation's favourites. (S)

23:10 Jamie's Christmas Lock-in Jamie Oliver hosts the ultimate Christmas party in this one-off festive treat. (R) (S)

00:10 Carrie (Film) Brian De Palma's classic horror film, based on Stephen King's novel. Sissy Spacek stars as the teenage Carrie (S)

01:55 The Real Housewives of New Jersey (S), 02:40 **King of the Hill** (S), 03:00 **Brothers and Sisters** (R) (S), 03:50 **ER** (R) (S), 04:35 **One Tree Hill** (S), 05:15 **One Tree Hill** (S)

06:00 Peppa Pig (R) (S), 06:05 **Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), 06:15 **Fifi and the Flowertots** (R) (S), 06:25 **Fireman Sam** Christmas Special (R) (S), 06:50 **Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic** (R) (S)

Mio Mao (R) (S), 07:05 **The Wotwots!** (R) (S)

07:25 Noddy Saves Christmas (R) (S)

07:55 The Milkshake! Show Christmas Special (R) (S), 08:25 **Little Princess** (R) (S), 08:50 **Play!** (R) (S), 08:55 **Olivia** (R) (S), 09:15 **The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), 09:30 **George Shrinks** (R) (S), 10:00 **K-9**

10:35 Ice Road Truckers Documentary series examining the dangerous job of driving trucks on Alaska's Dalton Highway. (R) (S)

11:30 The Gadget Show's Christmas Stocking Consumer technology show hosted by Jon Bentley, Suzi Perry, Ortis Deley, Jason Bradbury and Pollyanna Woodward. The team looks back over the highlights of an action-packed series. Jon picks his gadget of the year, while Polly, Jason, Ortis and Suzy reminisce about their favourite moments. (R) (S)

12:30 Mrs. Miracle (Film) Drama. A widowed father of six-year-old twins struggles to cope with his family responsibilities. His life is then transformed by the arrival of a kindly housekeeper, who demonstrates miraculous skills around the house and dispenses sound advice on affairs of the heart. Based on the bestselling book by Debbie Macomber. (S)

14:30 Meet the Santas (Film) Comedy sequel to 'Single Santa Seeks Mrs Claus'. The son of Santa Claus plans to wed on Christmas Eve shortly before taking on his father's mantle.

However, his fiancee's prim and proper society mother disapproves of her choice of husband and insists on controlling every aspect of the wedding. Can Nick Claus win over his in-laws and ensure the ceremony goes smoothly? (S)

16:20 Five News (S)

16:25 The Remains of the Day (Film) Drama starring Anthony Hopkins and Emma Thompson in which an English butler's professional and emotional life is examined retrospectively during a journey towards a reunion with the housekeeper he loved years before. (S)

18:55 Stranger Than Fiction (Film) Comedy drama about a taxman who is staggered to discover that he is a character in a novelist's new book, and can hear the author narrating his life. (S)

21:00 Greatest Christmas Adverts Entertainment show featuring a rundown of the nation's all-time favourite Christmas television adverts. (S)

00:05 Super Casino Live interactive gaming featuring roulette, blackjack and autowheel. For more information and to register visit www.SuperCasino.com.

04:05 World Poker Tour Paris, 04:55 **The Family Recipe** (R) (S), 05:00 **Hana's Helpline** (R) (S), 05:10 **The Milkshake! Show** (R) (S), 05:35 **Thomas and Friends** (R) (S), 05:45 **Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S)

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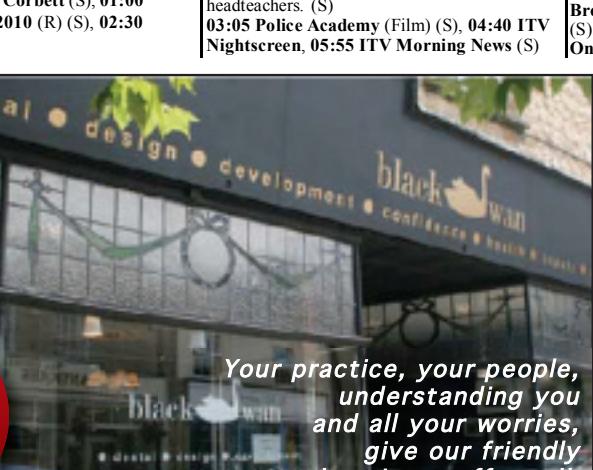
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Channel 4



Channel 5



Happy Feet
ITV 1 - 4.35pm



06:00 Breakfast (S), 07:30 Match of the Day (R) (S), 09:00 The Sarah Jane Adventures (R) (S), 09:25 The Slammer (R) (S), 10:00 Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams (Film) (S)
11:40 EastEnders Omnibus Janine carries out her final, devastating act of revenge against Stacey, but will Max and Ryan be able to save her? (S)
13:40 BBC News (S)
13:50 Spotlight News (S)
13:55 EastEnders Omnibus Janine carries out her final, devastating act of revenge against Stacey, but will Max and Ryan be able to save her? (S)
15:25 The Incredibles (Film) Children's animation. Superhero Mr Incredible receives a mysterious invitation to a remote island after spending the last 15 years living a humdrum suburban existence working for an insurance company. (S)
17:10 BBC News (S)
17:30 Spotlight News (S)
17:40 The Impressions Show Christmas Special Jon Culshaw and Debra Stephenson get festive in a special edition of the comedy sketch show. Katherine Jenkins and friends sing the classic Christmas number ones (R) (S)
18:10 Halcyon River Diaries Intimate look at the wildlife of a typical English river, as seen through the eyes of a family who live beside it and love it. (S)
19:10 Casualty Winter Wonderland. Medical drama series. Ruth is determined to have a good Christmas, but will the ominous secret surrounding her marriage to Edward spoil her festive mood? (S)
20:00 EastEnders Kat is horrified to witness Jean's downward spiral as she struggles to cope without Stacey. Carol decides to come to Connor's rescue, while Bianca warns Whitney to keep her distance. (S)
20:30 Celebrity Mastermind John Humphrys hosts a new series of Celebrity Mastermind. (S)
21:00 Upstairs, Downstairs The Ladybird. Series 6, episode 2. Revival of the iconic period drama series. (S)
22:00 BBC News at Ten (S)
22:15 Spotlight News (S)
22:25 A Question of Sport Sue Barker asks the questions in a Strictly Come Dancing-themed edition of the popular sports quiz. (S)
22:55 The Graham Norton Show The award-winning host gets into the festive spirit with a Christmas edition of his anarchic talk show. (R) (S)
23:40 Wild Hogs (Film) Comedy. A group of suburban biker wannabes looking for adventure hit the open road. (S)
01:15 Weatherview (S), **01:20 The Apprentice** (R) (S), **02:20 Holby City** (R) (S), **03:20 The Big Silence** (R) (S), **04:20 BBC News** (S)

06:00 Bob the Builder (R) (S), **06:10 Pingu** (R) (S), **06:35 Zingzillas - A Christmas Special** (R) (S), **07:00 The League of Super Evil** (R) (S), **07:15 Deadly 60** (R) (S), **07:40 Bear Behaving Badly** (R) (S), **08:05 Eliot Kid** (R) (S), **08:20 Shaun the Sheep** (R) (S), **08:30 Animal Park** (R) (S)
09:15 Great British Railway Journeys Liverpool to Eccles. Series 1, episode 1. Documentary series in which Michael Portillo travels the length and breadth of the country by train. (R) (S)
09:45 Indian Hill Railways The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway. Episode 1. Three-part series looking at the little trains that have climbed through the Indian clouds for a hundred years, from the Himalayas in the north to the Nilgiris in the south. (R) (S)
10:45 Wild China Shangri-La. Episode 2. Documentary that brings pioneering images that capture the dazzling array of mysterious and wonderful creatures that live in China's most beautiful landscapes. (R) (S)
11:45 Who Do You Think You Are? Monty Don. Series 8, episode 5. Gardener Monty Don starts his investigation with a visit to his older brother David, and before long his efforts lead him to a port near Anglesey where he learns of a national disaster that ended in a family tragedy. (R) (S)
12:45 Racing From Chepstow Clare Balding presents coverage from Chepstow of the Welsh Grand National. (S)
15:00 Coast Raf Valley. A look back at part of an episode of coast. (R) (S)
15:10 Flog It! Winchester. The team travels to Winchester. Charlie Ross and Michael Bagott are on hand with expert valuations (R) (S)
15:40 Hidalgo (Film) Held yearly for centuries, the Ocean of Fire - a 3,000 mile survival race across the Arabian desert - was a challenge restricted to the finest Arabian horses ever bred, the purest and noblest lines owned by the greatest royal families. (R) (S)
17:45 James May's Top Toys A celebration of the toys which have survived across the decades. (R) (S)
18:45 Top Gear Special In a special extended version of the programme, Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May embark on an appropriately seasonal road trip as they attempt to follow the path of the Three Wise Men across the Middle East. (R) (S)
20:00 Three Men Go to Scotland Griff Rhys Jones, Rory McGrath and Dara O Briain head to the Hebrides for another adventure on the high seas, sailing around some of the prettiest and most remote seascapes in the British Isles. (R) (S)
21:00 Oz and Hugh Raise the Bar, **22:00 Charlie Brooker's 2010** (S), **23:00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks** (R) (S), **23:30 The Goodies** (R) (S), **00:00 The Grumpy Guide to... Christmas**. (R) (S), **01:00 Medium** (R) (S), **01:40 Medium** (R) (S), **02:20 BBC News** (R) (S), **04:20 Pages from Ceefax**

06:00 Bobbins (S), **06:15 Bobbins** (S), **06:25 Fireman Sam** (S), **06:45 Babar and the Adventures of Badou** (S), **07:00 Daybreak** (S), **08:30 Lorraine** (S)
09:25 Coronation Street Omnibus A surprise arrival sends shockwaves through the Street. As another funeral takes place, can a murderer continue to evade detection? Burdened with guilt, Gary finally snaps. (S)
12:15 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill unveils more mirthful camcorder and mobile phone calamities sent in by viewers, including the amazing underwater dog, the oldest ravers in town, and a glow in the dark toad. (R) (S)
12:45 ITV News and Weather (S)
12:55 Midsomer Murders Vixen's Run. Series 9, episode 4. The death of wealthy aristocrat Sir Freddy Butler brings Barnaby and Jones to the privileged surroundings of Haddington Hall. (R) (S)
15:00 of the Penguins (Film) Oscar-winning documentary chronicling the ritual journey of emperor penguins across the harsh terrain of the Antarctic to their breeding grounds. (S)
16:35 Happy Feet (Film) Animated adventure. A penguin is cast out by his colony because he is unable to sing, but his tap-dancing skills and new friends enable him to make a triumphant return. (S)
18:30 The West Country Tonight (S)
18:45 ITV News and Weather (S)
19:00 Emmerdale Chas cannot resist taking out her anger on Eve. Katie grows weary of Andy's behaviour. Pollard is troubled when he receives a card from the mysterious Elizabeth. (S)
19:30 Coronation Street Tracy and the McDonalds are at loggerheads over Amy. A guilty conscience proves too much as one resident returns to the crash site. Tempers flare in the aftermath of betrayal. (S)
20:00 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill introduces more video phone and camcorder calamities, which tonight include the world's worst guard dog (R) (S)
20:30 Coronation Street Tracy revels in the friction she is creating between Steve and Becky. Will a murderer confess all as guilt creeps in? (S)
21:00 Agatha Christie's Marple The Secret of Chimneys. When Miss Marple accompanies Lady Virginia Revel to a weekend party at country estate Chimneys, she finds herself in the middle of an important diplomatic gathering, which includes a number of Virginia's suitors. (S)
23:00 ITV News and Weather (S)
23:15 Benidorm Christmas Special. Episode 1. It is Christmas on the Costa Blanca and the Garveys are staying with Mel and Madge in their luxury hilltop villa - but will Mel make it back from a business trip in time for Christmas dinner? (R) (S)
00:30 Rugby Highlights (S), **01:20 Surface** (R) (S), **02:10 Surface** (R) (S), **02:55 ITV Nightscreen**, **05:55 ITV Morning News** (S)

05:30 One Tree Hill (S), **06:10 World Sport** (S), **06:35 Audi Med Cup** (S), **07:00 Everybody Loves Raymond** (R) (S), **07:25 Frasier** (R) (S), **07:50 According to Jim** (R) (S), **08:20 Friends** (R) (S), **08:50 Ugly Betty** (S), **09:45 Friends** (R) (S), **10:15 The Simpsons** (R) (S)
10:45 Ugly Betty Hello Goodbye. Series 4, episode 20. It's the end of an era, but the beginning. Betty hopes, of something wonderful. (S)
11:40 The Simpsons When Flanders Failed. Series 3, episode 3. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. (R) (S)
12:15 Benji: The Hunted (Film) Canine film star Benji, who first hit the cinema screens in 1974, stars in this thrilling, heart string-tugging adventure. (R) (S)
13:55 Ladyhawke (Film) Medieval fantasy adventure about a mysterious black-clad knight and his mistress, both victims of a curse that turns him into a wolf by night and her into a hawk by day so they can never meet as humans. (S)
16:10 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)
17:00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me Strike It Lucky host and tabloid favourite Michael Barrymore takes on Anthea Redfern from The Generation Game, Wheel of Fortune babe Jenny Powell, and the man who was once synonymous with the word mullet, Funhouse front man Pat Sharp. (R) (S)
18:00 The Simpsons Tree House of Horror XI. Series 12, episode 1. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. Three more tales of horror. In G-G-Ghost D-D-Dad Homer dies and is given one last chance to get into heaven if he performs a final good deed. (R) (S)
18:30 Hollyoaks Jasmine is furious when Heidi refuses to tell Silas the truth about Jason but when she decides to tell him herself, she's hurt by his response. (S)
19:00 Channel 4 News (S)
19:05 4thought.tv More than 5,000 lives have been lost over the last ten years as a result of the bitter conflict between the Israelis and the Palestinians. (S)
19:10 Porridge (Film) Ronnie Barker, Richard Beckinsale and Fulton Mackay star in this spin-off feature from the much-loved TV sitcom. (S)
21:00 Lee Evans: Access All Arenas, **22:00 Lee Evans: Up Close** (S), **22:35 There's Something About Mary** (Film) (S), **00:50 Party Poker Premier League Poker** (S), **01:45 The Real Housewives of New Jersey** (S), **02:30 King of the Hill** (S), **02:55 King of the Hill** (S), **03:15 Fathom** (Film) (S), **04:55 ER** (R) (S), **05:40 One Tree Hill** (S)

06:00 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), **06:10 Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), **06:20 The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky** (R) (S), **06:35 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures** (R) (S), **06:40 Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic** (R) (S), **06:50 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **06:55 Mio Mao** (R) (S), **07:00 The Wotwots!** (R) (S), **07:10 Castle Farm** (R) (S), **07:15 The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), **07:30 Thomas and Friends** (R) (S), **07:45 Noddy in Toyland** (R) (S), **08:00 Fifi and the Flowertots** (R) (S), **08:10 Funky Valley** (R) (S), **08:15 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **08:20 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **08:30 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures** (R) (S), **08:35 Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), **08:45 Hana's Helpline** (R) (S), **08:55 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom** (R) (S), **09:10 Castle Farm** (R) (S), **09:15 Little Princess** (R) (S), **09:45 The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), **10:00 K-9**, **10:35 Panda Week with Nigel Marven** Wildlife presenter Nigel Marven heads to China to learn about giant pandas. Nigel begins his journey by gaining exclusive access to the world's biggest panda breeding centre in Chengdu, where he learns astonishing details about the creatures' bamboo feeding and spies an adorable posse of panda cubs. (R) (S)
11:05 Zoo Days Documentary series based at Chester Zoo. Unseasonable weather creates problems in the flamingo enclosure over May Bank Holiday weekend. (R) (S)
11:35 Ice Road Truckers Documentary series examining the dangerous job of driving trucks on Alaska's Dalton Highway. (R) (S)
12:35 Five News
12:40 Top of the Pops Christmas 1985 The classic Christmas 1985 version of the chart show is revisited. (R) (S)
14:00 The Likely Lads Rodney Bewes, James Bolam, Brigit Forsyth. (R) (S)
15:00 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em (R) (S)
16:00 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers Documentary series lifting the lid on the fascinating world of the legendary Eddie Stobart haulage company. (R) (S)
17:05 Rooster Cogburn (Film) Rooster Cogburn is back in the saddle. This time he joins forces with a vengeful spinster to search for and punish the outlaw who killed her father. (S)
19:05 Cowboy Builders Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood come to the rescue of homeowners who have been let down by shoddy builders. (R) (S)
20:00 There's a Hippo in My House! (R) (S), **21:00 Greatest Christmas TV Moments** (R) (S), **00:05 John Cleese's Comedy Heroes** (R) (S), **01:05 Super Casino**, **03:55 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers** (R) (S), **04:45 House Doctor** (R) (S), **05:10 Michaela's Wild Challenge** (R) (S), **05:35 Great Scientists** (S)

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Tuesday

Christmas Television - Tuesday, December 28th 2010

BBC 1



BBC 2



ITV 1



Channel 4

Eastenders
BBC 1 - 7.30pm

Channel 5



06:00 Breakfast (S), 09:00 **The Sarah Jane Adventures** (R) (S), 09:25 **The Slammer** (R) (S), 10:10 **Spy Kids 3: Game Over** (Film) (S) 11:25 **Peter Pan II: Return to Neverland** (Film) Animated sequel to the classic Disney tale of the little boy who refuses to grow up. (S)

12:30 **Just William** (S)
13:00 **BBC News at One** (S)

13:10 **Spotlight News** (S)
13:15 Wallace and Gromit: A Grand Day Out (Film) BAFTA-winning, Oscar-nominated claymation by Nick Park which introduced the world to Wallace and his canine companion Gromit. (S)

13:40 **Doctor Who** The Runaway Bride. Special Episode 2. The Doctor finds himself with a new companion, Donna, but she's late for her wedding. (R) (S)

14:40 Robbie the Reindeer in Close Encounters of the Herd Kind Comedy animation. When Robbie's wedding is halted by the presence of a sinister crystal and his fiance Donner is kidnapped by aliens (R) (S)

15:10 Chicken Run (Film) Award-winning animation from Nick Park and the Aardman team, telling the story of a band of chickens doomed to a life of egg laying on a Yorkshire chicken farm. (S)

16:30 Final Score Gabby Logan presents all of the day's football results, with reports from the major games as many clubs play their second game within the space of 48 hours. (S)

17:25 Countryfile Winter Special The Countryfile team heads north to experience winter on the Hebridean island of North Uist. Matt Baker meets the family who are setting up home there after moving six hundred miles from Cornwall (R) (S)

18:20 BBC News (S)
18:45 Spotlight News (S)

19:00 Celebrity Mastermind Four more famous faces sit in the famous black chair. The guests in this edition are Giles Coren, Dean Macey, Dr Pixie McKenna and Samira Ahmed. (S)

19:30 EastEnders A broken Jean makes a painful decision as she finally surrenders to her demons. Meanwhile, Kat's delight soon turns to anger when things take longer than expected, and Carol's best intentions backfire when Tiffany receives a shock. (S)

20:00 Holby City Snow Queens. Medical drama series. Connie faces tough choices when her dad is rushed into Holby on Christmas Day and she is brought face-to-face with consequences of the cuts. (S)

21:00 Upstairs, Downstairs The Cuckoo. Series 6, episode 3. Revival of the iconic period drama series. Sir Hallam finds himself at the centre of a national crisis when his friend, the Duke of Kent, asks for help. (S)

22:00 BBC News at Ten (S)

22:15 Spotlight News (S)

22:25 Live at the Apollo (S)

23:10 Blades of Glory (Film) (S), 00:40 **Weatherview** (S), 00:45 **Highbrove: Alan Meets Prince Charles** (S), 01:45 **Upstairs, Downstairs** (R) (S), 02:45 **The Meerkats** (Film) (S), 04:05 **BBC News** (S)

06:00 The Pingu Show (R) (S), 06:10 **Timmy Time** (S) 06:20 **Louie** (R) (S) 06:30 **Charlie and Lola** (R) (S) 06:40 **Postman Pat** (R) (S), 07:00 **The League of Super Evil** (R) (S), 07:15 **Deadly 60** (R) (S), 07:40 **Bear Behaving Badly** (R) (S), 08:05 **Eliot Kid** (R) (S), 08:15 **Shaun the Sheep** (R) (S), 08:25 **Shaun the Sheep** (R) (S), 08:35 **Great British Railway Journeys** (R) (S), 09:05 **Indian Hill Railways** (R) (S), 10:05 **Wild China** (R) (S), 11:05 **Who Do You Think You Are?** David Mitchell. (R) (S)

12:05 Victorian Farm Christmas Historical reality programme. The Victorian farmers - Ruth Goodman, Alex Langlands and Peter Ginn - return to the Acton Scott estate in Shropshire to celebrate a traditional Christmas. (R) (S)

13:05 Fall of the Roman Empire (Film) Star-studded recreation of the death throes of the greatest empire in world history. (S)

16:00 Escape to the Country Wiltshire. Series in which prospective buyers are helped to find their dream home in the country. (R) (S)

17:00 The Indian Doctor The Arrival. Series 1, episode 1. Period comedy drama set in 1963. When their local doctor passes away, the residents of a sleepy Welsh mining village are surprised by the arrival of his replacement, Prem Sharma, who has arrived from India. (R) (S)

17:45 The Weakest Link Unpopular Jobs. Nine contestants with some of the most unpopular jobs in the country dare to face the wrath of the queen of mean, Anne Robinson, in a special edition. (S)

18:30 Miss Potter (Film) Whimsical drama based on the life of early 20th century author Beatrix Potter, creator of Peter Rabbit. (S)

20:00 Penelope Keith: Lady of the Manor An affectionate tribute to actress Penelope Keith outlining her life and career. (R) (S)

20:30 The Good Life Silly but It's Fun. Special Episode 1. Seasonal special of the suburban sitcom. (R) (S)

21:00 All About the Good Life What was it really like behind the scenes of The Good Life? (S)

22:00 Giles and Sue Live the Good Life A Good Christmas. Episode 4. Thirty-five years after sitcom the Good Life first aired, writer Giles Coren and comedian Sue Perkins step back to 1975 to try to learn some self-sufficient skills and techniques. (S)

23:00 2010 Unwrapped with Miranda Hart Miranda Hart hosts a look back at the defining cultural, political and televisual moments of the year, remembering events that shaped 2010, or would have done if they had actually happened. (S)

00:00 The Goodies (R) (S), 00:30 **Medium** (R) (S), 01:10 **Medium** (R) (S), 01:55 **BBC News** (S), 04:05 **Pages from Ceefax**

06:00 Bobbins (S), 06:15 **Bobbins** (S), 06:25 **Fireman Sam** (S), 06:45 **Babar and the Adventures of Badou** (S), 07:00 **Daybreak** (S), 08:30 **Lorraine** (S), 09:25 **The Unforgettable** (R) (S), 09:55 **Joanna Lumley's Nile** (R) (S)

10:55 Agatha Christie's Thirteen at Dinner (Film) Detective drama in which Belgian sleuth Hercule Poirot is called in to investigate the murder of an English lord. The aristocrat's mysterious widow becomes the prime suspect, even though she has an alibi - she was at a dinner party the night her husband died. (S)

12:55 ITV News and Weather (S)

13:00 The West Country Today (S)

13:05 Midsomer Murders Death in Disguise. Series 1, episode 4. When the founder of a nearby commune is murdered, DCI Barnaby is faced with an eccentric cast of suspects including an heiress (R) (S)

14:40 E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial (Film) Heartwarming sci-fi fantasy. 10-year-old schoolboy Elliott befriends and shelters a gentle alien stranded on Earth. When the authorities are alerted to his unusual house guest, Elliott tries to help the creature return home before menacing government agents close in. (S)

16:50 Robots (Film) CGI-animated comedy following the adventures of an idealistic young inventor who comes to Robot City to make it big. (S)

18:30 The West Country Tonight (S)

18:45 ITV News and Weather (S)

19:00 Emmerdale The girls are shaken when Victoria Cottage is burgled. Amy is suspicious of Pollard's behaviour. Jackson struggles to come to terms with his new life in the village. (S)

19:30 River Monsters Hidden Predator. Last in series. Jeremy Wade travels to a river in South Africa where the biggest bull shark ever recorded was caught. (S)

20:00 Smile: This Was Candid Camera One-hour special marking the 50th anniversary of the first screening on ITV of Candid Camera. It looks back at the show's greatest hidden camera stunts and explores its huge influence on TV across the world. Beadle's About, Game for a Laugh, and Trigger Happy TV are just some of the shows that took up the hidden camera baton. (S)

21:00 I Am Legend (Film) Apocalyptic thriller. Military scientist Robert Neville is the lone survivor of a medical catastrophe that has wiped out New York. For years he has sent out daily radio messages in the hope that there is someone else alive in the ruined city. (S)

22:00 Frankie Boyle's Tramadol Nights The fifth show in the first solo series from the Glaswegian comic blending acerbic, razor-sharp stand up with unique, hilarious sketches (S)

22:35 The Morgana Show (S), 23:05 **Peep Show**, (R) (S), 23:40 **The Big Bang Theory** (S), 00:10 **The Crush with KFC Krushems** (S), 01:15 **FIVB World Tour** (S), 02:05 **KOTV Boxing Weekly** (S), 02:35 **World Sport** (R) (S), 03:00 **The Cat Returns** (Film). (S), 04:20 **ER** (R) (S), 05:05 **Deadline Catch** (R) (S), 05:55 **Planet Cook** (R) (S)

05:40 One Tree Hill (S) 06:25 **Sali Mai** (R) (S), 06:30 **Planet Cook** (R) (S), 06:50 **Yo Gabba Gabba!** (R) (S), 07:15 **Everybody Loves Raymond** (R) (S), 07:40 **Frasier** (R) (S), 08:00 **According to Jim** (R) (S)

08:30 Friends (R) (S), 09:00 4music Favourites (R) (S), 09:30 **Shooting Nicole Scherzinger** (R) (S), 10:00 **Friends** (R) (S)

10:30 The Simpsons (R) (S), 11:00 **Glee** (R) (S)

12:00 Explorers (Film) Joe Dante's sci-fi film stars Ethan Hawke and River Phoenix. When Ben Crandall's dreams inspire him and his friend Wolfgang to create a giant circuit board, they discover that they've invented a craft that can pass through solid matter. (S)

14:05 Crocodile Dundee II (Film) Mick 'Crocodile' Dundee, now living in New York, wages war against a drug-running gang when his reporter girlfriend is kidnapped because she possesses incriminating film of a drug-related murder. (S)

16:10 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)

17:00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me This celebrity special features former model Janice Dickinson, reality TV star Calum Best, TV presenter Jeff Brazier and Page 3 popstress Sam Fox. Jeff's first to host and says his kids love his food, but will the grown-ups agree? (R) (S)

18:00 The Simpsons A Tale of Two Springfields. Series 12, episode 2. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. (R) (S)

18:30 Hollyoaks Texas' Mum Melody arrives an together they identify India's body. (S)

19:00 Channel 4 News (S)

19:10 4thought.tv 4thought.tv asks if Jews and uslins can ever find peace. (S)

19:15 One Born at Christmas One Born at Christmas presents a special episode with a round-up of highlights from the maternity ward. (S)

21:00 The Miracle Baby of Haiti At barely a year old, Landina Seignon has cheated death many times over and endured agonising injuries that most could only imagine. (S)

22:00 David Copperfield (Film) Two-part adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic story of the fortunes of a young boy left to the care of his cruel stepfather after the death of his mother. (S)

18:05 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers Documentary series lifting the lid on the fascinating world of the legendary Eddie Stobart haulage company. (R) (S)

19:00 Cowboy Builders (R) (S), 20:00 **Greatest Christmas Adverts** (R) (S),

23:00 Red Corner (Film), 01:20 **Super Casino**, 03:55 **Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers** (R) (S), 04:45 **House Doctor** (R) (S), 05:10 **Nick's Quest** (R) (S), 05:35 **Great Scientists** (R) (S)



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Wednesday

Christmas Television - Wednesday, December 29th 2010

BBC 1



06:00 Breakfast (S), 09:00 The Sarah Jane Adventures (R) (S), 09:30 Ooglies (R) (S), 09:45 A Goofy Movie (Film) (S)
10:55 Homeward Bound II: Lost in San Francisco (Film) Adventure about three household pets forced to fend for themselves in San Francisco (S)
12:20 Just William Parrots for Ethel. Children's comedy series based on the books by Richmal Crompton. (S)
12:50 BBC News (S)
13:00 Spotlight News (S)
13:05 Wallace and Gromit: A Close Shave (Film) Oscar-winning claymation comedy thriller from Nick Park, featuring the popular heroes of *The Wrong Trousers* and *A Grand Day Out*. (S)
13:35 Doctor Who (Science Fiction Series) Voyage of the Damned. Special Episode 3. When disaster hits the Titanic, the Doctor uncovers a threat to the whole human race. (R) (S)
14:50 Flushed Away (Film) Animated adventure. Pet rat Rodney, evicted from his lavish but lonely lifestyle, finds himself in a rodent city in the sewers, where adventurous Rita is doing battle with minions of the villainous Toad. (S)
16:05 Mary Poppins (Film) Disney's musical fantasy, combining live-action with animation, about a highly unorthodox nanny who takes a job with a family in London. (S)
18:20 BBC News (S)
18:45 Spotlight News (S)
19:00 Celebrity Mastermind John Humphrys puts the questions to four more famous faces. Taking part are Frank Gardner, Levi Roots, Helen Chamberlain and Pam Rhodes. (S)
19:30 Dig 1940 The Blitz. Series 1, episode 3. Jules Hudson and his team are in Somerset, trying to recover the remains of a German bomber shot down on a raid on Bristol during World War Two. (S)
20:00 Polar Bear: Spy on the Ice Documentary which uses spy cameras to get closer than ever before to the world's greatest land predator, the polar bear. The cameras are just a breath away when two sets of cubs emerge from winter maternity dens. (S)
21:00 Rock and Chips Five Gold Rings. Series 1, episode 1. Period comedy drama and prequel to *Only Fools and Horses*, following the exploits of the Trotter family in sixties Peckham. It is Christmas, 1960, and Cupid's little arrows are flying through the wintery skies over Peckham. (S)
22:00 BBC News at Ten (S)
22:20 Spotlight News (S)
22:25 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws (S)
22:35 Match of the Day (S), 23:45 Hard Rain (Film) (S), 01:15 Weatherviews (S), 01:20 Countryfile (R) (S), 02:15 Whistle and I'll Come to You (R) (S), 03:10 Upstairs, Downstairs (R) (S), 04:10 BBC News (S)

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BBC 2



06:00 The Pingu Show (R) (S), 06:10 Timmy Time (R) (S), 06:20 Louie (R) (S), 06:30 Harry and Toto (R) (S), 06:40 Postman Pat (R) (S), 07:00 The League of Super Evil (R) (S), 07:15 Deadly 60 (R) (S), 07:40 Bear Behaving Badly (R) (S), 08:05 Eliot Kid (R) (S), 08:20 Shaun the Sheep (R) (S), 08:30 Great British Railway Journeys (R) (S)
09:00 Indian Hill Railways (R) (S), 10:00 Wild China (R) (S), 11:00 Who Do You Think You Are? (R) (S)
12:00 Victorian Farm Christmas (R) (S)
13:00 Cromwell (Film) Epic retelling of the clash between two great historical figures in the English Civil War. (S)
15:15 Coast North Devon and Somerset Coasts. A look back at part of an episode of coast. Documentary series. (R) (S)
15:30 The Indian Doctor The Diary. Series 1, episode 2. Drama about an Indian doctor who moves to a Welsh mining village in 1963. A couple of weeks have passed since Dr Prem Sharma and his wife Kamini arrived in Trefelin, and colliery manager Richard Sharpe is still desperate to find a mysterious diary left behind by Prem's predecessor, Dr Elwyn. (R) (S)
16:15 The Weakest Link Animal Crackers. The queen of mean sharpens her claws as she meets nine contestants who are crackers about animals in this special edition. (S)
17:00 Strictly Ballroom (Film) Offbeat satire in which a young ballroom-dancing sensation causes uproar among the traditionalist Australian Dance Federation when he tries out some radical new steps. (S)
18:30 Springwatch Christmas Special. The Springwatch and Autumnwatch team - Chris Packham, Kate Humble and Martin Hughes-Games - look back at an amazing year of live broadcasting to ask what we have learned about UK wildlife in 2010, and what to expect in 2011 and beyond. (S)
20:00 Les Mis at 25: Matt Lucas Dreams the Dream Les Miserables is the world's best-loved musical. It's been seen by 57 million people and in 2010 celebrated its 25th anniversary with its two largest ever productions at London's O2 Arena. (S)
21:00 Arena Rolf Harris Paints His Dream. Rolf Harris dreams of painting the hilarious travesty between Titania, Queen of the Fairies and the donkey-headed buffoon, Bottom, from Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream. So Arena invited supermodels Lily Cole and Lizzy Jagger and actresses Emmer Kenny and Dervla Kirwan to pose for him as Titania. As he paints them he recalls his 57 years as a singer, musician, artist and regular fixture in the lives of millions. (S)
22:30 QI XL (S), 23:15 The Goodies (R) (S), 23:45 Andy Parsons: Britain's Got Idiots (R) (S), 00:50 Medium (R) (S), 01:30 Medium (R) (S), 02:15 BBC News (S), 04:10

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ITV 1



06:00 Daybreak (S), 08:30 Lorraine (S)
09:25 The Unforgettable (R) (S), 10:25 Joanna Lumley's Nile, 11:25 Agatha Christie's Dead Man's Folly (Film) (S)
13:25 ITV News and Weather (S)
13:45 The West Country Today (S)
14:05 Oliver Twist Alan Bleasdale's three-part adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic novel. (R) (S)
16:10 The Lost World (Film) Blockbuster adventure sequel. The entrepreneur who genetically engineered the dinosaurs in Jurassic Park turns out to have cloned more of the prehistoric monsters at another island location. (S)
18:30 The West Country Tonight (S)
18:45 ITV News and Weather (S)
19:00 Emmerdale Amy is convinced that Pollard is having an affair. Gennie suspects Andy could be behind the burglary. (S)
19:30 The Lakes Observational documentary based in the Lake District. In this episode, there is an invitation to Muncaster Castle from the wonderfully eccentric Patrick Gordon Duff Pennington, who is hosting a lunch for some Japanese tourists. Plus the Ballentyne Dykes' cheese-making business means some new additions to the farmyard and the show meets the men and women who give up their time to make the Lakeland fells a safer place to visit. (R) (S)
20:00 Agatha Christie's Marple The Blue Geranium. Miss Marple tries to stop a court hearing when she discovers important new evidence about the 'Blue Geranium' murder case. Months before, Marple is attending a tense gathering at a village golf club when the dead body of a strange young man is discovered. Soon after, a wealthy and unpopular local woman is found dead in bed. Did she really die of shock when the geranium in her wallpaper turned blue? Can Marple stop the trial in time before the wrong person is found guilty of murder? (S)
22:00 ITV News at Ten and Weather (S)
22:35 Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous (Film) Action comedy sequel. FBI agent Gracie Hart has maintained her glamorous makeover, and is about to embark on a promotional tour around the country, along with her unimpressed bodyguard Sam. But then Miss USA Cheryl Frasier and pageant director Stan Fields are kidnapped, and Gracie decides to investigate her friends' disappearance on her own - despite orders to the contrary. (S)
00:40 Sweeney! (Film) (S), 02:20 The Jeremy Kyle Show (R) (S), 03:15
ITV Nightscreen, 05:55 **ITV Morning News** (S)

Channel 4



05:55 **Planet Cook** (R) (S), 06:15 **Wilde Stories** (R) (S), 06:45 **Yo Gabba Gabba!** (R) (S), 07:10 **Everybody Loves Raymond** (R) (S), 07:30 **Frasier** (R) (S), 07:55 **According to Jim** (R) (S), 08:25 **Friends** (R) (S), 08:55 **The Hollyoaks Music Show** (R) (S), 09:25 **T4 Movie Special** (R) (S), 10:00 **Friends** (R) (S), 10:25 **The Simpsons** (R) (S), 11:00 **Glee** (R) (S), 11:55 **An American Tail** (Film) In Don Bluth's charming animation, young mouse Fievel Mousekewitz escapes the 19th-century pogroms in Russia for the promised land of America. But he's washed overboard as the ship nears New York, and forced to set out on a long journey to find his family, helped by Bridget, Tiger and Tony Toponi, and all the time threatened by Warren T Rat, a cat in disguise. (S)
13:25 River Cottage Bites River Cottage Head Chef Gill shows how to make the most of home-made left-over bread, from the tasty Italian bread salad panzanella to the Christmas classic, bread sauce. (R) (S)
13:35 Zulu (Film) Based on an actual historic event, this is the story of a small group of British soldiers stationed at Rorke's Drift in Africa who are forced to defend their tiny outpost against an attack by powerful Zulu warriors. (S)
16:10 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)
17:00 Come Dine with Me Coronation Street Special. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the nation's favourite soap, Come Dine with Me heads to Coronation Street, where four of Weatherfield's famous stars battle it out to bag a £1000 cash prize for charity. (R) (S)
18:00 The Simpsons Insane Clown Poppy. Series 12, episode 3. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. (R) (S)
18:30 Hollyoaks Anita tries to show Bart how Jasmine feels by putting make-up on him. Carmel is shocked to find her cousin dressed up and gets the wrong idea. (S)
19:00 Channel 4 News (S)
19:10 Cheaper by the Dozen 2 (Film) Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt return as Tom and Kate Baker, parents to 12 kids, in Adam Shankman's sequel to the comedy hit. The kids are now older, and getting ready to leave home, so Tom arranges a final family holiday in rural Wisconsin. (S)
21:00 The House That Made Me (S), 22:00 **Peep Show** (S), 22:30 **Frankie Boyle's Tramadol Nights** (S), 23:00 **4thought.tv** (S)
23:05 Jason Manford: Live (R) (S), 00:10 **The Family Stone** (Film) (S), 02:00 **The Real Housewives of New Jersey** (S), 02:45 **The Real Housewives of New Jersey** (S), 03:30 **King of the Hill** (S), 03:55 **King of the Hill** (S), 04:20 **ER** (R) (S), 05:05 **Hill Street Blues** (R) (S), 05:55 **Wilde Stories** (R) (S)

Channel 5



06:00 **Thomas and Friends** (R) (S), 06:10 **Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), 06:20 **The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky** (R) (S), 06:35 **Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures** (S), 06:40 **Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic** (R) (S), 06:50 **Peppa Pig** (R) (S), 06:55 **Mia Mao** (R) (S), 07:00 **The Wotwots!** (R) (S), 07:15 **The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), 07:30 **Thomas and Friends** (R) (S), 07:45 **Noddy in Toyland** (R) (S), 08:00 **Fifi and the Flowertots** (R) (S), 08:15 **Peppa Pig** (R) (S), 08:25 **Peppa Pig** (R) (S), 08:35 **Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), 08:45 **Hana's Helpline** (R) (S), 08:55 **Igarn Ogarn** (R) (S), 09:10 **Little Princess** (R) (S), 09:25 **Olivia** (R) (S), 09:45 **The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), 10:00 **K-9**

10:35 Panda Week with Nigel Marven Wildlife presenter Nigel Marven learns about giant pandas. Nigel meets San Diego Zoo's newest panda cub, and learns how they have achieved their breeding success. (R) (S)
11:05 Ice Road Truckers Documentary series examining the dangerous job of driving trucks on Alaska's Dalton Highway. Lisa hauls another heavy load bound for Prudhoe Bay. George and Tim head north into a heavy Arctic storm. (R) (S)
12:05 Five News (S)
12:15 Lonesome Ghosts (Film) Short animated film featuring Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck and Goofy. The three friends are called upon to rid a haunted house of its resident ghosts. (S)
12:20 Rooster Cogburn (Film) Rooster Cogburn is back in the saddle. This time he joins forces with a vengeful spinster to search for and punish the outlaw who killed her father. Between chasing bandits and arguing, the two also find time to form a loving relationship. (S)
14:25 Doctor Zhivago (Film) Epic adaptation of Boris Pasternak's Nobel Prize-winning novel about a Russian doctor and poet, set over three decades in the early part of the 20th century. (S)
18:05 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers Documentary series lifting the lid on the fascinating world of the legendary Eddie Stobart haulage company. (R) (S)
19:00 Cowboy Builders Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood come to the rescue of homeowners who have been let down by shoddy builders. The pair head to the market town of Dunstable in Bedfordshire, where Angus and Tracy are on the brink of collapse. (R) (S)
20:00 Cheryl Cole: Where Did it All Go Right... And Wrong? (R) (S), 21:00 **Most Shocking Celebrity Moments 2010** (S)
00:00 Partypoker.Com World Open VI, 01:00 **Super Casino**, 03:55 **Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers** (R) (S), 04:45 **House Doctor** (R) (S), 05:10 **Nick's Quest** (R) (S), 05:35 **Great Scientists** (R) (S)



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Thursday

Christmas Television - Thursday, December 30th 2010

30th**BBC 1****BBC 2****ITV 1****Channel 4****Channel 5**

06:00 Breakfast (S), 09:00 The Sarah Jane Adventures (R) (S), 09:25 The Slammer (R) (S), 10:00 Antz (Film) (S) 11:20 Bridge to Terabithia (Film) (S)
12:50 Just William The School Report. Children's comedy series based on the books by Richmal Crompton. A bad school report means lessons all summer for William, and Bob the gardener is sacked by Mr Bott! (S)
13:20 BBC News (S)

13:30 Spotlight News (S)
13:40 Wallace and Gromit: The Wrong Trousers (Film) Oscar-winning claymation from Nick Park. It is Gromit's birthday, and Wallace gives him a pair of mechanical technotrousers that cause a stir. But things continue to go wrong when Wallace rents a room to a rather suspicious penguin. (S)

14:10 Doctor Who The Next Doctor. Special Episode 4. Christmas Eve, 1851, and Cybermen stalk the snow of Victorian London. (S)

15:10 102 Dalmatians (Film) After a spot of therapy Cruella De Vil is released from prison a changed woman. (S)

16:45 Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (Film) Family adventure based on the darkly comic stories of Lemony Snicket, the pseudonymous children's author. (S)

18:20 BBC News (S)

18:45 Spotlight News (S)

19:00 Celebrity Mastermind Four more celebrity guests go under the spotlight. . (S)
19:30 EastEnders Carol continues to follow her heart, unaware that Whitney's happiness is on the line. Meanwhile, the Brannings and the Slatters rejoice as both Ronnie and Kat meet their long-awaited arrivals. (S)

20:00 DIY SOS The Big Build. Littlehampton. Nick Knowles and the team transform homes across Britain. Mike spent his life savings on home improvements so his sons could come and visit, but was left in the lurch by rogue builders who destroyed his house. (S)

21:00 Toast Adaptation of chef Nigel Slater's autobiography, providing a nostalgic trip through everything edible in 1960s Britain. After tragedy strikes food-obsessed young Nigel and his family, he is horrified when his father announces they are moving to the country. (S)

22:30 BBC News (S)

22:45 Spotlight News (S)

22:55 Sport Relief 2010 The Final Score. 2010 was Sport Relief's most successful year to date, with more than 44 million pounds being raised for the charity. (S)

23:55 Lara Croft: Tomb Raider (Film) (S), 01:30 Skiing Weatherview (S), 01:35 When Harvey Met Bob (R) (S), 03:05 Upstairs, Downstairs (R) (S), 04:05 BBC News (S)

06:00 The Pingu Show (R) (S), 06:10 Timmy Time (R) (S), 06:20 Louie (R) (S), 06:30 Guess with Jess (R) (S), 06:40 Postman Pat (R) (S), 07:00 The League of Super Evil (R) (S), 07:15 Deadly 60 (R) (S), 07:40 Behaving Badly (R) (S), 08:05 Eliot Kid (R) (S), 08:15 Shaun the Sheep (R) (S)

08:25 Great British Railway Journeys (R) (S), 08:55 Bombay Railway (R) (S), 09:55 Wild China (R) (S), 10:55 Who Do You Think You Are? Kim Cattrall, (R) (S), 11:55 Victorian Farm Christmas (R) (S)

12:55 Dances with Wolves (Film) Epic western about a Union soldier in the American Civil War, Lieutenant John Dunbar, who after an act of suicidal bravery becomes a hero and is allowed to choose his next assignment. (S)
15:45 Flog It! Lancaster. The Flog It team visit Lancaster where experts Anita Manning and Phillip Serrell pore over your family treasures. (R) (S)

16:30 Escape to the Country Monmouthshire. Series in which prospective buyers are helped to find their dream home in the country. Jules Hudson is in Wales helping a mother and daughter find a house where they can start a new life and a new business. (R) (S)

17:30 The Indian Doctor Young Hearts. Series 1, episode 3. Drama about an Indian doctor who moves to a Welsh mining village in 1963. Mrs Sharma, the doctor's wife, is desperate to get out of Trefelin, but when local tearaway Dan gets into trouble, only she can help him. (R) (S)

18:15 The Weakest Link Loud for a Living. Queen of mean Anne Robinson is in for an ear bashing as she takes on some of the loudest people in the country in a special edition. (S)

19:00 Coast Anglesey to Blackpool. At RAF Valley in Anglesey, Neil Oliver discovers if he has got what it takes to fly fast fighter jets as he takes to the sky with an instructor from the RAF's world-famous 'pilot factory'. (R) (S)

20:00 Three Men Go to Scotland Griff Rhys Jones, Rory McGrath and Dara O Briain head to the Hebrides for another adventure on the high seas, sailing around some of the prettiest and most remote seascapes in the British Isles. (R) (S)

21:00 The Rob Brydon Show Rob Brydon captures all the joy of Christmas, with a line-up including happy-go-lucky stars Jack Dee, Jo Brand and Alice Cooper. Adding to the fun is one of New York's finest jazz bands and an outrageous 'children's entertainer'. (S)

21:30 Never Mind the Buzzcocks. (S), 22:00 Shooting Stars Christmas Special 2010 (S), 22:30 Mock the Week (S), 00:00

The Goodies (R) (S), 00:30 Medium (R) (S), 01:10 Medium (R) (S), 01:55 BBC News (S)

06:00 Daybreak (S), 08:30 Lorraine (S), 09:25 The Unforgettable (R) (S), 10:25 Joanna Lumley's Nile (R) (S)

11:25 Murder in Three Acts (Film) Detective drama in which veteran Belgian sleuth Hercule Poirot sets out to unmask a poisoner who claims the lives of a clergyman and an eminent neurologist in a plush Acapulco villa belonging to a retired actor. (S)

13:25 ITV News and Weather (S)
13:35 The West Country Today (S)

13:45 Smile: This Was Candid Camera One-hour special marking the 50th anniversary of the first screening on ITV of Candid Camera. It looks back at the show's greatest hidden camera stunts and explores its huge influence on TV across the world. Beadle's About, Game for a Laugh, and Trigger Happy TV are just some of the shows that took up the hidden camera baton. (R) (S)

14:45 Oliver Twist Alan Bleasdale's adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic novel continues. Young orphan boy Oliver is taken under the wing of the criminal Fagin and skilful pickpocket the Artful Dodger. (S)

15:20 Jurassic Park III (Film) Second sequel to Steven Spielberg's Oscar-winning blockbuster. Dr Alan Grant reluctantly agrees to accompany a rich couple to the second Jurassic Park island, where their teenage son is believed to have crashed while paragliding. But unfortunately for the adventurers, deadly dinosaurs are still lurking in the jungle. (S)

18:30 The West Country Tonight. (S)

18:45 ITV News and Weather (S)

19:00 Emmerdale Pollard gets a blast from the past. Gennie decides she cannot keep her suspicions about Andy quiet. (S)

19:30 Cheetah Kingdom Last in the documentary series following the conservation work of the Africat Foundation in Namibia. Dave and Carla hope that rescued cheetah cub Quattro will bond with feisty siblings Spitfire and Hurricane so that the trio can go back to the wild as a male coalition. (S)

20:00 Emmerdale Michael's visit leaves

Pollard with a lot of explaining to do. Declan tries to resist Ella. Henshall warns Andy that he is watching him. (S)
20:30 Coronation Street Tracy continues to make enemies on her unwelcome return. A troubled Gary lashes out, attacking a loved one. It is payback time for those scorned. (S)
21:00 Ad of the Year A look back at some of the best TV ads that have been on our screens this year. (S)

22:00 ITV News at Ten and Weather (S)

22:35 X2 (Film) Marvel Comics superhero sequel. A mutant attack on the President leads the dangerous General Stryker to target the X-Men. (S)

00:55 House of Wax (Film) (S), 02:50 Surface (S), 03:35 ITV Nightscreen, 05:55 ITV Morning News (S)

05:55 Wild Stories (R) (S), 06:20 Wilde Stories (R) (S), 06:50 Yo Gabba Gabba! (R) (S), 07:15 Everybody Loves Raymond (R) (S), 07:40 Frasier (R) (S), 08:05 According to Jim (R) (S), 08:30 Friends (R) (S), 09:00 Top 20 (R) (S), 10:00 Friends (R) (S), 10:30 The Simpsons (R) (S), 11:00 Glee (R) (S), 11:55 Inspector Gadget (Film) (S), 13:25 River Cottage Bites (R) (S)

13:40 True Grit (Film) John Wayne won his only Oscar for his portrayal of the one-eyed whisky-loving Marshall Reuben J 'Rooster' Cogburn in Henry Hathaway's classic muscular western. (S)
16:10 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)

17:00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me In the celebrity culinary competition, five-times married former newsreader Jan Leeming gets into an intriguing battle with former EastEnders and life-long bachelor Dave 'Keith' Spinx. (R) (S)
18:00 The Simpsons Lisa the Tree-Hugger. Series 12, episode 4. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. (R) (S)

18:30 Hollyoaks Kathleen locks Myra and Mercedes upstairs while her 'priest' friend Lenny conducts Angel's christening to officially name her Kathleen. (S)
19:00 Channel 4 News (S)

19:10 Kirstie and Phil's Embarrassing Bits To celebrate ten years on Channel 4, property gurus Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer present an evening of special property-themed programmes. (S)

19:55 Location, Location, Location A Decade in Property. To celebrate ten years on Channel 4, property gurus Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer present an evening of special property-themed programmes. (S)

20:55 Phil and Kirstie's Homes for Heroes In the last of this evening's property-themed programmes Phil and Kirstie attempt a challenge they've never done before (S)

22:30 Bill Bailey: Tinselworm Bill Bailey's Tinselworm show, filmed at Wembley Arena, includes Bill's trademark musical inventiveness and verbal brilliance (R) (S)
23:30 4thought.tv (S), 23:35 Frankie Boyle's Tramadol Nights (S), 00:05 Frankie Boyle's Tramadol Nights (S), 00:40 The Album Chart Show Spotlight (S), 01:10 The Real Housewives of New Jersey, 01:55 The Real Housewives of New Jersey, 01:55 King of the Hill (S), 02:40 King of the Hill (S), 03:00 King of the Hill (S), 03:25 King of the Hill (S), 03:45 Tales From Earthsea (Film) (S), 05:35 Hill Street Blues (R) (S)

06:00 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), 06:10 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S), 06:20 The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky (R) (S), 06:35 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures (R) (S)

06:40 Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic (R) (S), 06:50 Peppa Pig (R) (S), 07:00 The Wotwots! (R) (S), 07:15 The Mr. Men Show (R) (S), 07:30 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), 07:45 Noddy in Toyland (R) (S), 08:00 Fifi and the Flowertots (R) (S), 08:15 Peppa Pig (R) (S), 08:25 Peppa (R) (S), 08:35 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S), 08:45 Peppa's Helpline (R) (S), 08:55 Igam Ogam (R) (S), 09:10 Little Princess (R) (S), 09:25 Olivia (R) (S), 09:45 The Mr. Men Show (R) (S), 10:00 K-9

10:35 Panda Week with Nigel Marven Wildlife presenter Nigel Marven heads to China to learn about giant pandas. Nigel climbs the holy mountain of Emei Shan and encounters naughty macaque monkeys. (R) (S)
11:05 Ice Road Truckers Documentary series examining the dangerous job of driving trucks on Alaska's Dalton Highway. Heavy haul experts Jack Jesse and Carey Hill team up for a special assignment transporting two huge storage tanks to Deadhorse. (R) (S)

12:05 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green Robson Green profiles the hottest fishing destinations around the globe. Robson ventures out on the wild waters of British Columbia, Canada, in search of caviar-rich sturgeon and prize salmon. (R) (S)
12:55 Five News (S)

13:00 Alice in Wonderland Adaptation of Lewis Carroll's classic fantasy adventure. When young Alice stumbles down a rabbit hole she enters a fantasy world filled with eccentric characters. (S)

15:45 From Here to Eternity (Film) The compelling story of US soldiers based in Hawaii in the months prior to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. (S)

18:05 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers Documentary series lifting the lid on the fascinating world of the legendary Eddie Stobart haulage company. The drivers on the continent do their utmost to avoid ending up with a cargo of illegal stowaways. (R) (S)

19:00 Cowboy Builders Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood come to the rescue of homeowners who have been let down by shoddy builders. The pair head to south Gloucestershire, where Stuart and Michelle are in desperate need of help. (S)

19:55 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em (S)
21:00 Butterflies Christmas With The Parkinsons. Series 2, episode 8. A Christmas special of Carla Lane's sitcom from 1979. (S)
21:45 Christmas with Terry and June (S), 22:25 Down and Out in Beverly Hills (Film) (S), 00:25 Super Casino, 03:55 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers (R) (S), 04:45 House Doctor (R) (S), 05:10 Nick's Quest (R) (S), 05:35 Great Scientists (R) (S)



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New Year's Eve 31st

Christmas Television - Friday, December 31st 2010



BBC 1



BBC 2



ITV 1



Channel 4



Channel 5



06:00 Breakfast (S), **09:00 Horrible Histories** (R) (S), **09:30 What's New Scooby-Doo?** (R) (S)

09:50 Piglet's Big Movie (Film) Animated adventure featuring characters from the books by A A Milne. (S)

11:00 Paulie (Film) Comedy in which a wisecracking parrot caged in a research lab tells his life story to a lonely janitor. Before coming to the science lab, he passed through the hands of a succession of owners, from a petty criminal to a man who runs a parrot-dancing act. (S)

12:25 Just William William Holds the Stage. Children's comedy series based on the books by Richmal Crompton. Tomboy Dorinda has moved into the village, and William seems to approve of this rat-catching, frog-stuffing girl. (S)

12:55 BBC News (S)

13:05 Spotlight News (S)

13:10 Doctor Who Planet of The Dead. Special Episode 5. A London bus takes a detour to an alien world, but can the Doctor defeat the terrifying Swarm? (R) (S)

14:10 Shark Tale (Film) Animated comedy about a fast-talking fish who gains fame after taking credit for the accidental death of a shark mobster. (S)

15:30 The Sound of Music (Film) Classic film version of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical in which a novice nun leaves her convent to accept a position as governess to a large family. (S)

18:20 BBC News (S)

18:45 Spotlight News (S)

19:00 Celebrity Mastermind John Humphrys puts the questions to four more famous faces. Taking part are Adam Boulton, Toby Buckland, Kirsten O'Brien and Rhys Thomas. (S)

19:30 A Question of Sport Sue Barker asks the questions in a Strictly Come Dancing-themed edition of the popular sports quiz. (R) (S)

20:00 EastEnders As Kat fights for her life in hospital, Ronnie's grief leads to a momentary act of desperation with devastating consequences. (S)

20:40 Jonathan Creek The Judas Tree. Special Episode 3. When a young woman becomes seemingly possessed by the spirit of a Victorian sorceress, illusionist Jonathan Creek and intrepid investigator Joey Ross must fight to prove she is innocent of murder, in a special edition of the detective drama. (R) (S)

22:15 BBC News (S)

22:40 The Graham Norton New Year's Eve Show The award-winning host gets into the Hogmanay spirit with a New Year's Eve edition of his talk show. (S)

23:45 The National Lottery Friday Draws (S) **23:55 New Year Live 2010** Live from London, Jake Humphrey sees out the old year and rings in 2011 with the chimes of Big Ben and the spectacular New Year's fireworks display. (S)

00:15 Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life (Film) (S), **02:00 Weatherview** (S), **02:05 BBC News** (S)

06:00 The Pingu Show (R) (S), **06:10 Timmy Time** (R) (S), **06:20 The Large Family** (R) (S), **06:35 Octonauts - A Christmas Special** (R) (S), **07:00 The League of Super Evil** (R) (S), **07:15 Deadly 60** (R) (S), **07:40 Bear Behaving Badly** (R) (S), **08:05 Arthur** (R) (S), **08:20 Arthur** (R) (S)

08:35 Great British Railway Journeys (R) (S), **09:05 Bombay Railway** (R) (S), **10:05 Wild China** (R) (S), **11:05 Who Do You Think You Are?** Jeremy Irons. (R) (S)

12:05 Legends The Beverley Sisters - Tickled Pink. Profile of singing trio the Beverley Sisters, charting their rise from their humble beginnings in London's East End to huge stars at the forefront of the TV revolution in the 1950s. (R) (S)

13:05 Nicholas Nickleby (Film) Adaptation of Charles Dickens's novel. Nicholas Nickleby and his family enjoy a comfortable life, until Nicholas's father dies and the family is left penniless. (S)

15:15 Flog It! Bury St Edmunds. Antique experts David Barby and Adam Partridge join Paul Martin in Bury St Edmunds. (R) (S)

16:00 Escape to the Country Bedfordshire. Alistair Appleton is in south Bedfordshire helping a couple moving in together for the first time. (R) (S)

16:45 The Indian Doctor The Van. Series 1, episode 4. Drama about an Indian doctor who moves to a Welsh mining village in 1963. Dr Sharma comes up with a plan to diagnose the miners' health problems, and a rather unusual van arrives in the village. (R) (S)

17:30 James May: My Sister's Top Toys With Claudine King-Dabbs. James May celebrates the toys that made his childhood hell as he opens the lid on his sisters' toy box. (R) (S)

18:30 Just Like Heaven (Film) Supernatural romantic comedy about an architect who thinks he has moved into the perfect apartment, only to find that the embittered ghost of the previous tenant, a workaholic doctor, still lives there and is none too happy about the new resident. (S)

20:00 Edwardian Farm It's May and, with Empire Day approaching, a very special boat comes to the Valley. The paddle steamer, Monarch, is arriving: one of only three in the country that's still operational. (S)

21:00 100 Years of the Palladium Sir Cliff Richard, Bruce Forsyth, Michael Crawford and Andrew Lloyd Webber are among the stars sharing the gossip, glamour and behind-the-scenes (S)

22:00 Grumpy Old New Year (R) (S), **23:00 Jools' Annual Hootenanny** (S), **01:15 TOTP 2** (R) (S), **02:15 Pages from Ceefax**

06:00 Daybreak (S), **08:30 Lorraine** (S), **09:25 This Morning** (S)

10:40 Joanne Lumley's Nile Joanne is on the final part of her journey. In Southern Sudan she flies over the world's largest swamp, the Sudd. And in the main town of Juba she finds that a fragile peace process has brought about a re-emergence of beauty pageants. (R) (S)

11:40 David Suchet on the Orient Express David Suchet - aka Hercule Poirot - unravels a mystery of his own as he sets off to discover why the Orient Express has been the world's most famous train for over a century. (R) (S)

12:40 ITV News and Weather (S)

12:55 Oliver Twist The final part of Alan Bleasdale's adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic novel. Oliver is reunited with his new family and his inheritance secured. Nancy pays the ultimate price for her loyalty, and Fagin and Sikes get their just deserts. (S)

15:00 The Living Daylights (Film) Espionage action marking Timothy Dalton's debut as 007. James Bond is sent to aid the defection of a KGB general involved in a huge drugs deal with a crazed American arms dealer. (S)

17:30 The West Country Tonight (S)

17:45 ITV News and Weather (S)

18:00 It's Paul Burling Britain's Got Talent finalist Paul Burling hosts a comical look at the showbiz characters who have shaped 2010. He is joined by fellow impressionists Jess Robinson, Eve Webster and Anthony Spargo to present their own take on current stars in a series of sketches, stand-up comedy segments and musical numbers. (R) (S)

19:00 Emmerdale Pollard is determined to see the back of Michael. Scarlett is unimpressed to see Adam hanging out with Mia. Dermot takes a shine to Pearl. (S)

19:30 Coronation Street After the shocking news of her first conquest, Tracy draws a second victim into her web. Bags are packed and hearts broken as a family is torn apart. (S)

20:00 You've Been Framed! Harry Hill narrates another selection of hilarious camcorder calamities and mobile phone mishaps. (R) (S)

20:40 Coronation Street As the clock strikes 12, absent friends are toasted while others seek revenge. There is hysteria as Tracy is found bleeding and motionless - but who is responsible? (S)

21:10 Elizabeth: The Golden Age (Film) Historical drama. In the sequel to 1998's Elizabeth, the Virgin Queen must protect her throne and her country from outside forces who seek to overthrow her. (S)

23:20 That Was 2010 Mark Austin looks back at the momentous news stories of 2010, including Haiti's disastrous earthquake, the uplifting rescue of the Chilean miners, the historic developments that led to the coalition Government and of course, the announcement of the royal engagement. (S)

23:50 ITV News and Weather (S)

00:05 Mars Attacks! (Film) (S), **01:50 Outland** (Film) (S), **03:40 ITV Nightscreen** (S), **05:55 ITV Morning News** (S)

05:35 Hill Street Blues (R) (S), **06:25 Sali Mali** (R) (S), **06:30 Planet Cook** (R) (S), **06:50 Yo Gabba Gabba!** (R) (S), **07:15 Everybody Loves Raymond** (R) (S), **07:35 Frasier** (R) (S), **08:00 According to Jim** (R) (S), **08:30 Friends** (R) (S), **09:00 JLS Only Tonight: Live in London** (R) (S), **09:55 Friends** (R) (S), **10:25 T4 Movie Special**, **10:55 Glee** (R) (S), **11:55 The Simpsons** (R) (S), **12:20 Wedding House** (R) (S)

13:15 Doctor Dolittle (Film) Rex Harrison stars in Richard Fleischer's charming adaptation of Hugh Lofting's classic children's book as the eccentric Doctor Dolittle, who can converse with animals in 849 languages. (S)

14:00 Deal or No Deal Scrooge or Santa. The Dream Factory is transformed into a winter wonderland as Noel Edmonds hosts 12 days of Christmas specials. (S)

17:00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me Old school entertainer and game show host Tom O'Connor, scary Queen of Clean Kim Woodburn, the tabloids' favourite 'love rat' Darren Day, and Scouse actress and star of the stage Claire Sweeney compete for the £1,000 charity prize. (R) (S)

18:00 The Simpsons Homer vs. Dignity. Series 12, episode 5. Animated comedy series following the hilarious adventures of a working class, semi-dysfunctional nuclear family in the misfit city of Springfield. (R) (S)

18:30 Hollyoaks Carmel and Myra are convinced Bart is transgender and he's forced to tell them about Jasmine. (S)

19:00 Channel 4 News

19:10 4thought.tv 4thought.tv asks if Jews and Muslims can ever find peace. (R) (S)

19:15 Relocation: Phil Down Under Phil Spencer helps British families make the biggest move of their lives as they relocate to Australia. (R) (S)

20:10 Come Dine with Me See out the old year with a brand-new episode as four cooks battle it out in Wakefield. Twentysomething Carly takes on three 40somethings who, to this youthful lass, might as well be pensioners: curio-collecting Neil; animal-mad Gail; and superbike-loving Enzo. (S)

21:10 Channel 4 Comedy Gala Another chance to see Channel 4's Comedy Gala.

Channel 4 assembles 24 of the nation's best-known and most loved comedians for this two-hour extravaganza in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity. (R) (S)

23:40 Father Ted (R) (S), **00:10 Father Ted** (R) (S), **00:45 Father Ted** (R) (S), **01:15 Father Ted** (R) (S), **01:40 The Real Housewives of New Jersey**, **02:40 The Real Housewives of New Jersey** (S) 03:35

Brothers and Sisters (R) (S), **04:25 ER** (R) (S), **05:10 Hill Street Blues** (R) (S)

06:00 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), **06:10 Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), **06:20 The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky** (R) (S), **06:35 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures** (R) (S), **06:40 Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic** (R) (S), **06:50 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **07:00 The Wotwots!** (R) (S), **07:15 The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S), **07:30 Thomas and Friends** (R) (S)

07:45 Noddy in Toyland (R) (S), **08:00 Fifi and the Flowertots** (R) (S), **08:15 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **08:20 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures** (R) (S), **08:30 Peppa Pig** (R) (S), **08:35 Roary the Racing Car** (R) (S), **08:45 Hana's Helpline** (R) (S), **08:55 Igam Ogam** (R) (S), **09:05 Castle Farm** (R) (S), **09:10 Little Princess** (R) (S), **09:25 Olivia** (R) (S), **09:45 The Mr. Men Show** (R) (S)

10:00 K-9

10:35 Panda Week with Nigel Marven Nigel Marven heads to China to learn about giant pandas. Nigel is determined to locate a wild panda den. As night falls, he sets up a trap for some winged beauties with a special connection to China - silk moths. (R) (S)

11:05 Ice Road Truckers Documentary series examining the dangerous job of driving trucks on Alaska's Dalton Highway. (R) (S)

12:05 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green Robson Green profiles the hottest fishing destinations around the globe. (R) (S)

12:55 Five News

13:00 Christmas with Terry and June Terry Scott and June Whitfield star in this suburban comedy of marital ups and downs. Terry and June's plans for a quiet Christmas are shattered when Terry's boss Sir Dennis invites himself to Christmas dinner. Classic sitcom, originally broadcast on Christmas Eve 1982. (R) (S)

13:40 Butterflies Christmas With The Parkinsons. Series 2, episode 8. A Christmas special of Carla Lane's sitcom from 1979. (R) (S)

14:25 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em (R) (S)

15:30 Flower of the Arabian Nights (Films) Lavish adaptation of the ever-popular legends recounted by Scheherazade in a bid to save her own life. The former queen faces execution when a new sultan inherits the kingdom. (S)

19:00 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers Documentary series lifting the lid on the fascinating world of the legendary Eddie Stobart haulage company. (R) (S)

20:00 Cowboy Builders Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood come to the rescue of homeowners who have been let down by shoddy builders. (R) (S)

21:00 Shadow Man (Film) (S), **22:50 World's Most Extreme Airports** (R) (S), **00:15 Super Casino**, **03:55 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers** (R) (S), **04:45 House Doctor** (R) (S), **05:10 Nick's Quest** (R) (S), **05:35 Great Scientists** (R) (S)

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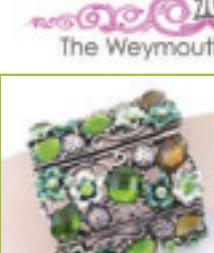
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Christmas Television - Saturday, January 1st 2011

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BBC 2



ITV 1



Channel 4



Channel 5



Downton Abbey
ITV 1 - 3.50pm

06:00 Breakfast (S), 10:00 Saturday Kitchen (S), 11:30 Football Focus (S)
 12:20 BBC News (S)
 12:30 Spotlight News (S)
 12:35 The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message 2011 (S), 12:40 Doctor Who (R) (S)
 13:40 Bee Movie (Film) Animated comedy about a young bee who becomes disillusioned with his future in honey. (S)
 15:00 WALL-E (Film) Oscar winning animation. After years of tidying up an Earth devoid of humanity hundreds of years in the future, a lonely robot janitor meets a beautiful mechanical scout and follows her across the galaxy. (S)
 16:30 Final Score Gabby Logan introduces reports and reaction from the day's football fixtures. To kick off the New Year, there is a crunch clash at the bottom of the Premier League table as West Ham face Wolverhampton Wanderers at Upton Park, while Spurs take on London rivals Fulham. (S)
 17:15 BBC News (S)
 17:25 Spotlight (S)
 17:35 Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (Film) Action adventure. In 1957, at the height of the Cold War, intrepid archeologist Indiana Jones is called back into action when an old colleague is kidnapped. (S)
 19:30 The Magicians Incredible illusions, mind-bending magic and classic tricks with contemporary twists, performed by some of the world's best magicians. (S)
 20:30 EastEnders Kat and Alfie are confronted with heartrending tragedy as a guilt-ridden Ronnie continues to keep her dark secret. (S)
 21:00 Come Fly with Me Comedy series set in a busy airport featuring characters played by Matt Lucas and David Walliams. This week, a 'sudden wing malfunction' delays FlyLo passengers on their way to Malaga, while Melody and Taaj get tough with FlyLo's new baggage allowance regulations. (S)
 21:30 Live at the Apollo Stand-up comedy from the Hammersmith Apollo. (S)
 22:00 The National Lottery Saturday Night Draws (S)
 22:10 BBC News (S)
 22:30 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights from the day's Premier League games, including Manchester United's trip to play West Bromwich Albion. (S)
 23:00 The Football League Show Manish Bhasin presents as the power Football League welcomes in the New Year with a full fixture list and some terrific matches. (S)
 01:10 Weatherview (S)
 01:15 BBC News (S)

06:00 Pingu (R) (S), 06:05 Bob The Builder Snowed Under: The Bobblesberg Winter Games (R) (S), 07:00 Basil and Barney's Game Show (R) (S), 07:30 The Legend of Dick and Dom (R) (S), 08:00 Da Dick and Dom Diaries (R) (S), 08:30 Sorry, I've Got No Head (R) (S), 08:55 Diddy Dick and Dom (R) (S), 09:00 The Legend of Dick and Dom (R) (S), 09:30 Da Dick and Dom Diaries (R) (S), 10:00 Sorry, I've Got No Head (R) (S), 10:30 The Legend of Dick and Dom (R) (S), 10:55 Ooglies (R) (S)
 11:15 New Year's Day Concert 2011 Live from Vienna in the Golden Hall of the Musikverein, the Vienna Philharmonic perform the annual celebratory concert of waltzes, polkas and marches, led by the Austrian conductor Franz Welser-Most. (S)
 12:50 The War Bride (Film) Romantic drama set during World War II. Lily and Sophie are two young women working as seamstresses during the Blitz in the East End of London. They meet and fall for two Canadian servicemen, Charlie and Louie. (S)
 14:30 The Horse Whisperer (Film) Romantic drama adapted from Nicholas Evans's best-selling novel. After a riding accident has left both a young girl and her horse physically and mentally scarred, her mother takes them to a rancher with a reputation for treating traumatised animals. (S)
 17:10 The Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year Message 2011 In his annual New Year address, The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, looks forward to the year ahead and the 400th anniversary year of one of the most important books in history - the King James Bible. (S)
 17:15 Indian Doctor The Fete. Series 1, episode 5. Drama about an Indian doctor who moves to a Welsh mining village in 1963. (R) (S)
 18:00 Darts World Championships. Colin Murray and Bobby George are at the Lakeside Country Club as the 2011 Lakeside World Professional Championships get under way. (S)
 19:25 Dad's Army (Put That Light Out. Series 4, episode 7. Classic wartime sitcom about the Home Guard unit of Walmington-on-Sea. (R) (S)
 19:55 The Morecambe and Wise Christmas Show 1976 (R) (S)
 21:00 Eric and Ernie Single drama telling the story of Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise's formative years, from child stars to national treasures. (S)
 22:30 Eric and Ernie: Behind the Scenes Drawing from Eric and Ernie, the BBC's new film, this celebratory documentary charts the duo's early years and the hurdles they faced, whilst showing why Eric and Ernie still remain Britain's best loved double act. (S)
 23:30 Rising Damp (S), 01:05 Darts (S), 01:55 Darts (S), 03:55 Pages from Ceefax

06:00 Bobbins (S), 06:15 Fireman Sam (S), 06:25 Chloe's Closet (S), 06:35 The Hive (S), 06:45 Babar and the Adventures of Badou (S), 07:00 Babar and the Adventures of Badou (S), 07:10 The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That (S), 07:25 Horrid Henry (S)
 07:40 The Neverending Story (Film) Fantasy adventure. A lonely young boy gets more than he bargains for when he escapes from bullies by fleeing into a mysterious bookshop. (S)
 09:25 Planet's Funniest Animals Humorous video clips of pets and other animals in unusual situations. (S)
 09:50 Coronation Street Omnibus A spiteful Tracy continues to make enemies after her unwelcome return to the Street. Bags are packed and hearts broken as a family is torn apart. (S)
 12:10 ITV News and Weather (S)
 12:20 Midsomer Murders Feature-length drama about a detective whose patch is a seemingly idyllic rural district. (R) (S)
 14:20 Downton Abbey Lavish period drama following the lives of the aristocratic Crawley family and their servants at Downton Abbey. It is April 1912, and news arrives of the sinking of the Titanic with the loss of Downton's heir James and his son Patrick. (R) (S)
 15:50 Downton Abbey Lavish period drama. Matthew Crawley and his mother Isobel arrive at Downton, and Isobel and the Dowager Countess Violet find their views clashing from the outset. Matthew has difficulty settling in to this new life, and the staff do little to ease his discomfort. Carson is mortified when confronted by his past, but finds an ally in an unexpected quarter. (R) (S)
 16:50 ITV News and Weather (S)
 17:05 Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (Film) Harry, Hermione and Ron return for a third year at Hogwarts School Of Witchcraft and Wizardry. (S)
 19:30 Primeval New series of the science fiction drama. After a year in the Cretaceous period, Abby and Connor find a lost anomaly device in a raptor's bower and finally escape back to their own time - only to be followed through by a giant spinosaurus. (S)
 20:30 Take Me Out Dating series hosted by Paddy McGuinness. Love is on the agenda as Paddy tries to arrange some more hot dates in the sun for 30 single ladies. (S)
 21:45 Forgetting Sarah Marshall (Film) Romantic comedy. When his girlfriend of five years breaks up with him, a TV composer goes on holiday to Hawaii in the hopes of getting over her - only to discover that she is staying at the same resort with her new rockstar boyfriend, preventing him from moving on. (S)
 22:45 ITV News and Weather (S)
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 00:10 American Pie: The Wedding (Film) (S), 01:55 Blues Brothers 2000 (Film) (S), 04:00 ITV Nightscreen (S), 05:30 ITV Morning News (S)

05:10 Hill Street Blues (R) (S), 06:05 Sali Mali (R) (S), 06:10 The Hoobs (R) (S), 06:35 World Sport (R) (S), 07:00 GT Academy (R) (S), 07:25 Freesports on 4 (S), 07:55 The Morning Line (S), 08:50 Friends (R) (S), 09:20 Friends (R) (S), 09:50 T4 Stars of 2010 (R) (S), 12:20 Glee (R) (S)
 13:25 Channel 4 Racing (S)
 15:25 Come Dine with Me The culinary competition comes from Torbay. First to cook is street warden Gavin Dyer, whose overly ambitious menu soon has him sweating profusely. (R) (S)
 15:55 Come Dine with Me Fastidious housewife Alison Deare finds time to prepare an Italian-themed dinner for her guests; a menu that even she describes as 'unadventurous'. (R) (S)
 16:25 Come Dine with Me Political activist and bingo enthusiast David Ward has his work cut out keeping the peace since a few cracks have started to show between his guests. (R) (S)
 17:00 Come Dine with Me Restoration expert Patrick Walker is keen to show off his palatial house, including 'the biggest Aga in the village'. (R) (S)
 17:30 Come Dine with Me It's the last dinner party of a week in Torbay that has seen furniture breakages and disagreements aplenty among the five foodie contestants. (R) (S)
 18:00 Channel 4 News (S)
 18:15 4thought.tv 4thought.tv asks if Jews and Muslims can ever find peace. (S)
 18:20 Independence Day (Film) Roland Emmerich's landmark science-fiction blockbuster. Aliens reach Earth and they're clearly hostile: their plan is to suck the planet dry of all its resources, leave behind a burnt cinder circling the sun, and move on. (S)
 21:00 Father Ted On the 15th anniversary of the much-loved series, Channel 4 dedicates the New Year's Day prime-time schedule to one of its greatest comedic (S)
 21:05 Unintelligent Design A rare opportunity to peek around inside the heads of Father Ted creators Graham Linehan and Arthur Mathews and find out who they admire and where they draw their inspiration from. Every comedy writer has been influenced in some way by what came before, and they are certainly no different.
 21:35 Father Ted The Viewers' Favourite Episode. Special Episode 2. (R) (S)
 22:05 Small, Far Away: The World of Father Ted On the 15th anniversary of its launch, this documentary follows Father Ted creators Graham Linehan and Arthur Mathews as they return to Craggy Island on a road trip across Ireland, taking them back to some of the key filming locations from the series. (S)
 23:15 Father Ted (R) (S), 23:50 The Heartbreak Kid (Film) (S), 01:50 Comedy Lab (R) (S), 02:15 Dirty Sexy Money (R) (S), 03:00 Dirty Sexy Money (R) (S), 03:45 Brothers and Sisters (R) (S), 04:30 Beauty and the Geek (R) (S), 05:15 Beauty and the Geek (R) (S)

06:00 Peppa Pig (R) (S), 06:05 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S), 06:15 Fifi and the Flowertots (R) (S), 06:25 Fireman Sam (R) (S), 06:40 Rupert Bear: Follow the Magic (R) (S), 06:50 Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends (R) (S), 07:05 The Wotwots! (R) (S)
 07:25 Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs (R) (S), 07:45 Make Way for Noddy (R) (S), 08:00 Hana's Helpline (R) (S)
 08:10 Little Princess (R) (S), 08:25 The Adventures of Bottletop Bill and His Best Friend Corky (R) (S), 08:45 Play! (R) (S), 08:55 Olivia (R) (S), 09:10 The Mr. Men Show (R) (S), 09:30 George Shrinks (R) (S)
 10:00 Zoo Days Flamingoes. Highlights of the documentary series exploring life for the residents and staff at Colchester and Chester Zoos. (R) (S)
 10:20 High Society (Film) Classic, glossy musical remake of The Philadelphia Story, that was also Grace Kelly's last film. (S)
 12:25 Titanic (Film) Epic drama recreating the ill-fated voyage of the Titanic, which struck an iceberg off Newfoundland in the spring of 1912. (S)
 15:55 The Searchers (Film) John Ford's masterpiece about a seven-year search for a young girl abducted by Comanches. (S)
 18:15 Five News (S)
 18:20 CSI: Miami Smoke Gets in Your CSI's. Series 7, episode 14. Crime drama series based on the work of forensic investigators. (R) (S)
 19:10 CSI: Miami Sink or Swim. Series 7, episode 16. Crime drama series based on the work of forensic investigators. (R) (S)
 20:00 CSI: Miami Wolfe's in Sheep's Clothing. Series 7, episode 20. Crime drama series based on the work of forensic investigators. (R) (S)
 21:00 CSI: New York Pay Up. Series 5, episode 25. New York-based spin-off of the crime drama series. (R) (S)
 22:00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation The Strip Strangler. Series 1, episode 23. A serial killer with a knowledge of forensics leaves the CSI team literally clueless when no evidence is found at a crime scene. (R) (S)
 23:00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation The Execution of Catherine Willows. Series 3, episode 6. John Mathers, a serial killer who Catherine helped put on death row when she was a rookie CSI, receives a stay of execution when his defence wants DNA evidence re-examined. (R) (S)
 00:00 Super Casino, 04:00 Brian Sewell's Grand Tour (R) (S), 04:45 Animal Rescue Squad (R) (S), 04:55 The Family Recipe (R) (S), 05:00 Hana's Helpline (R) (S), 05:10 The Milkshake! Show (R) (S), 05:35 Thomas and Friends (R) (S), 05:45 Roary the Racing Car (R) (S)

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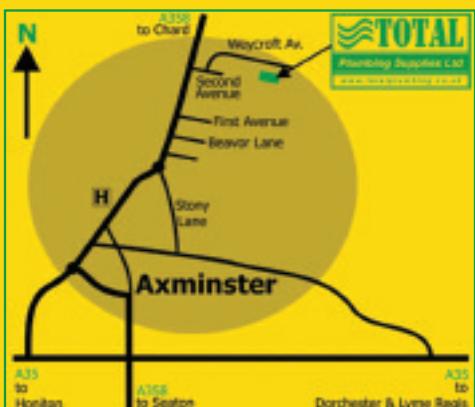
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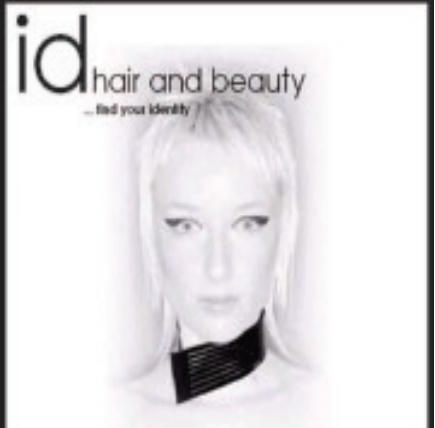
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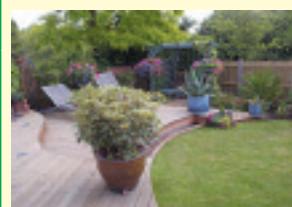
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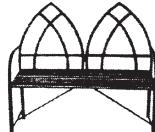
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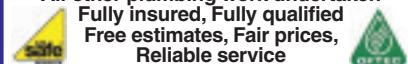
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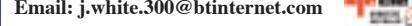
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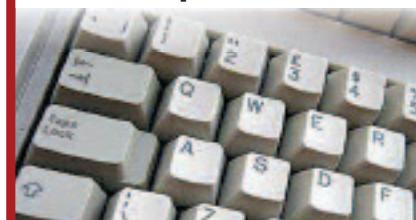
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T Spirit

An integrated, detachable TomTom satellite navigation system with touch-screen operation tops the check list of equipment features on the new Yaris T Spirit, which brings with it Bluetooth connectivity and a USB port for linking in iPods and other digital music players. In addition to the regular TR specification, the trim includes eight-spoke alloys, climate control, rear parking

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Toyota Motorsport 16-inch alloys, rear privacy glass, a rear roof spoiler and chrome exhaust finisher mark the new Yaris SR down as a sportier proposition. That's not the complete story, though, as the spec' also includes the satellite navigation

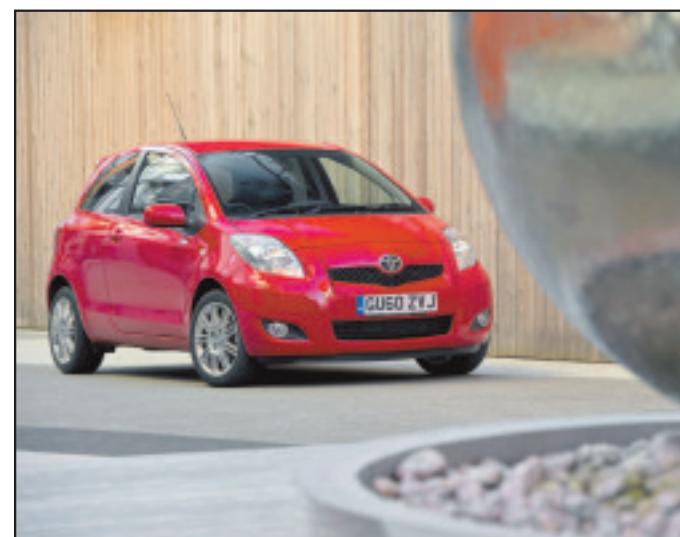
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Panda crosses off another top award from the list

THE rugged Fiat Panda Cross has continued to demonstrate its popularity after scooping another off-roading honour – this time the Junior Crossover class in Total Off Road magazine's 4x4 of the Year awards.

Launched in 2008, the highly capable Panda Cross has continued to be a favourite not just among customers, but with media experts too, and it's no stranger to awards.

Total Off Road's judges praised the Panda's styling, handling, ease of controls and its punchy 1.3 16v MultiJet turbodiesel engine. The car's crisp steering, ride and brakes were also highlighted by the maga-

zine's testers, as the Panda Cross beat 11 other vehicles in this class to the title.

"The Panda Cross has loads of style but plenty of substance too," say the awards' judges. "It's great fun in town, a rough diamond on B-roads and pretty acceptable on the motorway. And it can do remarkable things off road."

The Panda Cross is one of a long line of Pandas that have surprised and delighted customers for years," says Elena Bernardelli, marketing director, Fiat Group Automobiles UK and Ireland. "I am pleased that it is still collecting top honours – it certainly deserves them."

As with any Panda, the Cross's fuel consumption and emissions are exceptionally low. It returns 42.1 mpg in the urban cycle, 67.3 mpg extra-

urban, and 54.3 mpg combined. The CO₂ figure is 136 g/km.

Standard equipment includes ESP with Hill Holder, air conditioning, alloy wheels,

radio/CD/MP3 player with steering wheel audio controls, and electric power steering. The Panda Cross costs £13,695 on-the-road.



Peugeot accident assistance comes to the rescue

AS the slippery roads and darker mornings and evenings signal a potential greater risk of having a road accident, Peugeot is offering a complementary accident assistance service to all owners, taking away all the negotiations with recovery agents, repairers and insurers that can compound an already stressful experience.

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repairs done with non-original equipment parts are not covered by the manufacturer's warranty in the event of later failure. This is increasingly common with insurer managed repairs because they are faced with huge price competition and the focus is on the cheapest repair.

Finally, once the car is repaired through Peugeot Accident Assistance, the repairer provides a full report to the dealer so they can recommend the best ongoing maintenance and servicing schedule.

Peugeot customers need do nothing more than make a note of the telephone number - 0800 92 32 999 - or they can pop into their dealer for a window sticker or key fob as a handy reminder.

Commenting on the service, David Higgins, Director - Parts & Service, Peugeot Motor Company, said: "When you drive a Peugeot, we want you to enjoy every aspect of the journey, but of course accidents do happen and the Winter is a particularly difficult time to drive, with icy roads and fading light. That's why we want to make sure all our customers know they can have a free helping hand at a distressing time."

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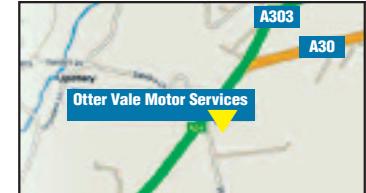
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The AA's Director of Road Operations, Steve Dewey, is very grateful for I.M. Group's support: "It's imperative we transport vital members of our team safely to and from our operational sites in Cheadle, Oldbury and Newcastle, Cardiff and our Basingstoke head office. The Subaru and Isuzu models will prove invaluable out on

the weather-affected UK road network, allowing us to continue helping thousands of motorists stranded in treacherous conditions."

Marketing Director of Subaru and Isuzu UK, Kenyon Neads, said: "We were only too happy to assist the AA, and we have every confidence they will be very impressed by the go-anywhere capabilities of the Subaru and Isuzu ranges, particularly during the big freeze. Subaru's All-Wheel Drive system and Isuzu's electronically-switchable 4WD technology will prove of enormous benefit as the snow and ice continues to plague many areas of the UK."

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MID-SEASON REVIEW

PREMIER DIVISION

(Reigning Champions: Lyme Regis)

LYME Regis will not be giving up their grip on the Premier Division title without a fight.

But as it stands South Petherton, still with a 100 per cent record, are in the driving seat. The return of striker Rich Heditch from Westland Sports will only add to their chances of landing the championship for the fourth time in six seasons.

But Lyme (who have yet to play a home league game), Beaminster, Merriott Rovers and Ilminster Town Reserves are all currently in a position to mount a title challenge.

Strangely to 'big five' have only met on three occasions so far. Beaminster beat Lyme Regis 1-0 at the Memorial Ground but went down 2-1 at South Petherton's Lightgate Lane whilst Merriott Rovers hammered Ilminster Reserves 6-0.

So with so many crucial matches still to be played it could still be the most open title races for many years despite Pethy's apparent domination.

At the other end of the table both Combe Reserves and West & Middle Chinnock have yet to register a win this season and are favourites for the drop. The Chinnock's first appearance in the top flight has been hit by the loss of strikers Mark Cawley and Ian Masters who have both moved on to Castle Cary and Ilminster Town respectively.

With four teams Combe have a large squad and this alone could still see new player-manager Ashley Fussell and his side mount a bid for safety.

DIVISION ONE

(Reigning Champions & promoted: Farway United, West & Middle Chinnock)

DIVISION One looks like being a three-way race between Winsham United, Crewkerne Town and Millwey Rise - although a consistent run could see Netherbury still re-emerge from the chasing pack.

Winsham have still to drop a point and have already beaten Netherbury and, perhaps crucially Crewkerne Town. The Tigers, the division's top scorers, also dropped two points at their Henhayes home in a 4-4 thriller with Millwey Rise who showed their battling qualities to come back from 3-0 down.

At the foot of the table the appoint-

ment of new manager Tommy O'Hare has coincided with Thorncombe edging out of the bottom two.

Charmouth looked doomed, and a further drop to division two will do their rebuilding plans no harm at all. The Robins look set to be accompanied one from Lyme Regis Reserves, Ilminster Colts, Norton Athletic or even Thorncombe if their recovery stalls.

DIVISION TWO

(Reigning Champions & promoted: Millwey Rise, Norton Athletic)

BEAMINSTER, bidding for an unheralded treble along with the Tommy Tabberer and Jack Venn Cups, appear to be nailed-on division two Champions.

The free-scoring Rainbows, have already banged-in five or more on five occasions in their quest for a third Division Two championship (others in 77-78 and 87-88). Unbeaten Shepton Beauchamp best placed amongst the chasing pack but don't write off Hinton or Crewkerne Rangers.

Meanwhile three defeats in four games looks to have scuppered Uplyme hopes of a return to Division One after an absence of four seasons.

The relegation issue seems to be settled already with Chard Rangers and Forton Rangers Reserves both playing division three football come next September.

DIVISION THREE

(Reigning Champions & promoted: Hawkchurch United, Crewkerne Rangers)

MISTERTON are one of only two teams still boasting a 100 per cent record and as such are clear title favourites to land the division three title for a second time.

Missy will be joined by either Luso-Chard, resurgent Chard United or Crewkerne Reserves.

At the foot Millwey Rise Reserves and Winsham United Reserves look to be under the most threat.

DIVISION FOUR

(Reigning Champions Chard United Reserves, promoted - Farway United Reserves)

SHEPTON Beauchamp Reserves, with five straight wins, are one of the entire league's form teams.

But a terrible start which culminated in a 11-1 mauling at West & Middle Chinnock Reserves could come back to haunt them.

The Chinnocks and Hinton Reserves or Waytown Hounds look to be favourites for promotion.

COUNTY CUPS

DORSET INTERMEDIATE

LYME REGIS are safely through to the semi-finals of the Dorset Intermediate cup and will be accompanied by Beaminster if they can overcome Ferndown sports in the quarter-final replay.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE

FARWAY United, the league's only remaining representatives, are scheduled to entertain Exmouth Town Reserves in an Eastern Area semi-final on January 8th.

SOMERSET JUNIOR

HOLDERS South Petherton were gunned down by Bath Arsenal at the last 16 stage.

SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE

THERE'S one man standing' in the Junior Cup. Winsham United are due to travel to Tor for a last 16 tie on February 5th.

CHARD HOSPITAL CUP

Lyme Regis 4 Ilminster Town Reserves 0 TWO goals from French striker Julien Simier and singles from Joe Bond and Joel Gostling, celebrating his return from a spell with Axminster Town, secured the Seasiders' with their second Chard Hospital cup triumph in three seasons.

CORONATION CUP

Last season: Lyme Regis 4 (J.Bond 2, Ad Caddy, D.Robinson) South Petherton 0

HOLDERS Lyme Regis are due to meet Perry Street in this season's final at Combe on Monday, December 27th at 11am.

Seven-time winners Lyme have disposed of Merriott Rovers 4-2, Combe Reserves 2-1 and Farway United 2-1 along the way. Meanwhile Street, winners in 1966-67 and 1970-71, saw off Misterton on pens after 2-2 draw, Barrington 2-1 and Ilminster Town Reserves 4-0 last weekend to book their place.

CHALLENGE CUP

Last season: Lyme Regis 2 (D.Rowe, J.Simier) Ilminster Town Reserves 0.

Barrington are due to entertain Perry Street in a quarter-final with all the other teams at the first round stage.

ARTHUR GAGE CUP

Last season: Lyme Regis Reserves 4 (R.Fifer, F.Thomson, J.Hawker, R.Holmes) Perry Street Reserves 0.

Quarter-final draw: Ilminster Colts v Thorncombe, Perry Street Reserves v Netherbury, Crewkerne Town v Millwey Rise or Norton Athletic, Lyme Regis Reserves or Winsham United v Forton Rangers.

DIVISION ONE CUP

Last season: Ilminster Town Colts 1 (A.Whaites) Netherbury 0

CREWKERNE Town will face Millwey Rise in the Final at Thorncome on Monday, January 3rd.

Lyme Regis Reserves beat Millwey 2-1 in the semi-final but were ejected from the competition by a league rule buried deep in the hand book that states players must have played three league matches before being able to take part in a semi-final.

TOMMY TABBERER CUP

Last season: Dowlish & Donyatt 6 (L.Mears 2, B.Charlton, C.Butler, C.Lang, A.Rich) Forton Rangers Reserves 5 (S.Packer 2, J.Smith, L.Goodland, L.Richardson).

Quarter-final draw: Hinton v Shepton Beauchamp, Crewkerne Rangers v Hawkchurch, Forton Rangers Reserves v Chard Rangers, Uplyme v Beaminster Reserves.

JACK VENN CUP

Last season: Millwey Rise 3 (M.Hall, D.Larcombe, M.Jenkins) South Petherton Reserves 0.

Quarter-final draw: Crewkerne Rangers v Beaminster Reserves, Dowlish & Donyatt v Hawkchurch, Forton Res v South Petherton Reserves or Chard Rangers, Shepton Beauchamp or Pymore v Uplyme.

JOHN FOWLER CUP

Last season: Crewkerne Rangers 5 (S.Denslow 2, A.Tanner 2, T.Broome) Crewkerne Town Reserves 2 (P.Cable 2).

Semi-finals: Luso-Chard v Misterton Reserves, Drimpton v Winsham Reserves.

BILL BAILEY CUP

Last season: Fivehead United 4 (K.Crouch 3, T.Callow) Crewkerne Rangers 1 (S.Denslow).

Quarter-final draw: Combe A v Farway United Reserves or Chard United, Luso-Chard v Misterton Reserves, Winsham United Reserves v Lyme Regis Bantams, Drimpton v Millwey Rise Reserves or Crewkerne Town Reserves.



EYEING THE TOP SPOTS: Both Lyme Regis manager Robin Townsend (above left) and his Beaminster counterpart Sean Annetts (above right) will be harbouring hopes of lifting the Premier Division trophy at the halfway stage of the season.

KENNY HODGES CUP

Last season: Ilminster Town A 4 (L.Woodard, L.Paul, J.House, A.Cox) Winsham United Reserves 3 (R.Long 2, I.Pen, P.Stewart).

Quarter-final draw; Shepton Beauchamp Reserves or Waytown Hounds v West & Middle Chinnock Reserves or Barrington Reserves, Chard Rangers Reserves v Chard United Reserves or Thorncome Reserves, Hawkchurch Reserves v Combe B, Ilminster Town A v Hinton Reserves.

REG EGLON CUP

Last season: Thorncome Reserves 4 (K.Smith, D.Rodway, J.Johnson, OG) Waytown Hounds 1 (M.Read).

Semi-finals: Barrington Reserves v Chard United Reserves, Waytown Hounds or Combe B v West & Middle Chinnock Reserves.

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP

Last season: West & Middle Chinnock 3 (M.Cawley, N.Eckland, D.Hallett) Lyme Regis Reserves 2 (F.Thomson, L.Street).

A FIXTURE pile-up last season resulted in the PSL reducing the number of rounds by excluding teams from Division One in addition to the Premier Division. The teams are currently at the last 16 stage.

PICK OF THE LEAGUE NEWS

FIVE Lyme Regis players were selected in new manager Karl Diment's first pick-of-the-league squad.

Beaminster players were excluded as they were due to play against Ferndown Sports in the Dorset Intermediate Cup quarter-final replay.

As it was, the game, like all the others in the PSL fixtures list, was postponed.

Full squad: Adam Berry, Jack Jennings both (both Merriott Rovers), Sam Dibling, Matt Hall (both Millwey Rise), Adam Caddy, Matt Laing, Joe Gostling, Mark Bailey, Dom Rowe (all Lyme Regis), Lee Richards, Danny Randall, Sam Bourne, Mark Tierney, Jon Hayter, Karl Diment (all South Petherton).

TOP SCORERS

(West Dorset teams)

Beaminster: Dean Newman 7, Murray Legg 5.

Lyme Regis: Julian Simier 12, Mark Bailey 6, Jason Hawker and Joe Bond 5.

Netherbury: Tim Hussey 18, Phil Hussey 7.

Lyme Regis Reserves: Gerard Hitchcock 16.

PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Merriott Rovers	.8	9	0	1	2	12	24
South Petherton	....7	7	0	0	3	7	21
Beaminster	....7	7	0	1	2	5	21
Lyme Regis	....6	4	1	1	18	8	13
Ilminster Town Res.	....4	0	1	1	10	7	12
Barrington	....9	2	3	4	22	29	9
Farway United	....7	2	1	4	20	24	7
Misterton	....1	1	2	5	14	22	6
Perry Street	....7	1	1	5	10	19	4
W & M Chinock	....7	0	2	5	9	30	2
Combe Res	....0	1	0	1	12	33	1

DIV ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Winsham United	....7	7	0	0	27	21	21
Crewkerne Town	....8	6	1	1	33	12	16
Millwey Rise	....6	5	1	0	28	6	16
Netherbury	....7	5	0	2	24	13	15
Perry Street	....6	4	0	2	18	21	12
Forton Rangers	....8	3	1	4	19	22	10
Norton Athletic	....9	3	1	5	17	28	10
Ilminster Town Colts	....3	0	3	21	34	9	9
Thomerton	....11	4	0	7	20	33	9
Lyme Regis Res	....8	1	2	5	14	19	5
Charmouth	....0	0	0	8	35	0	0

DIV TWO	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Beaminster Res	....10	7	2	1	39	16	23
Hinton Reserves	....6	0	3	20	18		
Crewkerne Rangers	....10	5	2	3	29	26	17
Dowlish & Donyatt	....10	4	1	5	24	16	
Uplyme	....10	4	2	4	43	25	14
Pymore	....10	4	2	4	24	34	14
South Peth Res	....9	3	2	4	21	20	11
Hawkchurch	....10	3	1	6	23	31	10
Forton Rangers Res	....8	1	1	6	13	39	4
Chard Rangers	....8	0	1	7	13	31	3

DIV THREE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Misterton Res.	....8	8	0	0	35	12	24
Luso-Chard	....10	7	0	3	48	17	21
Chard United	....10	6	2	2	32	15	20
Crewkerne Reserves	....8	6	0	2	48	20	18
Combe A	....10	4	1	5	21	27	13
Farway Utd Res	....10	3	2	5	14	40	11
Drimpton	....9	2	3	4	13	40	9
Lyme Regis Bantams	....8	2	2	6	16	23	8
Winsham United Res.	....8	1	1	6	18	31	4
Millwey Rise Res	....9	1	1	7	11	27	4

DIV FOUR	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hinton Reserves	....9	7	1	3	17	16	22
Shepton Reserves	....11	6	1	4	30	19	
W & M Chinock Res	....8	6	0	3	49	17	18
Combe B	....9	6	0	3	26		

WEST DORSET FOOTBALL WITH STUART BROOM

Magpies through to county semi

**DORCHESTER TOWN 2
POOLE BOROUGH 0**
Dorset Senior Cup Quarter-Final

DORCHESTER Town eased into the semi-final of the Dorset Senior Cup with a less than convincing 2-0 victory over Poole Borough in this twice postponed match.

After a goalless first half Jamie Frampton struck within a minute of the restart before Ryan Moss made the game safe just before the hour after coming off the subs bench.

Manager Ashley Vickers took the opportunity of giving Frampton his full debut whilst giving Jamie Mudge a full 90 minutes for the first time since his return to the club. James Coutts and Harry Nodwell also got valuable match practice as did keeper Regan Coward, whilst U18 players Lee White and Andy Suttle were named on the bench.

Despite the disparity in their league status, Poole Borough resisted Dorchester superior power for the first 45 minutes; the nearest the Magpies came to scoring was when Neil Martin's inswinging free-kick was tipped over the bar by Borough keeper Jakub Malara.

The visitors might in fact have snatched the lead near the break but Anthony Winders failed to test Coward from close in.

They paid for the miss as just as Saturday, Dorchester scored within a minute of the restart, Frampton volleying home when Malara dropped Nick Crittenden's corner.

The gloveman redeemed himself just before the hour when he foiled Mudge with a superb save, but from the resultant corner Moss glanced a header beyond him.

Vickers who was full of praise for Borough's determination, was pleased to have got the tie played, although the pitch was slippery in places due to the frost.

The Bob Lucas Trophy

Tuesday night's Bob Lucas Trophy match between Dorchester Town and Weymouth at the Avenue Stadium was postponed at the weekend due to the amount of snow covering the pitch and the anticipated adverse weather conditions expected on Sunday and Monday.

The game will now be played in the New Year on a date yet to be announced.

Hutch & Trevor's Christmas wish - bumper crowds and three points

WEYMOUTH manager Ian Hutchinson and Bridport boss Trevor Senior both had the same answer when asked what would be the ideal Christmas present for their club writes Stuart Broom.

Both however wished them for different reasons!

They also were asked what New Year's resolution they would make.

This is what they said:

Hutch

HUTCH hoped that a bumper crowd would turn up at The Bob Lucas Stadium on Boxing Day to watch the visit of league leaders Truro City.

"It would be a great boost for everyone if we could take three points against Truro; not only the team, but the fans and the management, both from a financial and confidence situation."

"The two clubs are miles apart financially and we know that it is difficult for us to be able to compete but three points would be a great Christmas present!"

"Keep fighting and keep believing!" was Hutch's New Year's resolution.

"I know we are doing that now and both Andy (Mason) and I are

already committed to that but it is what we believe in, and that we can get out of it.

Considering the very difficult circumstances this club is in, it's an amazing achievement to be where we are and we want to take it forward.

"We want to keep the squad together; they are a great bunch of lads; and to nurture the young local players that we have here, they have been superb."

Trevor

TREVOR also wanted a big crowd at St Mary's Field on Monday (27th) for the visit of Chard Town, and three points.

"Obviously the money would help the club financially, but three points would boost the team and club as we go into the New Year looking to maintain the pressure on the top of the league."

Asked about a New Year's resolution, Trevor was adamant: "For the club to try and work closer with referees!"

Bridport Football Club have a poor disciplinary record this season, a typical example being when four players were booked and one sent off in the Dorset Senior Trophy game against

Kingston Lacy which they won 7-0!

"Our disciplinary record is poor across the three teams and we need to do something about it.

It is costing the club a lot of money and we are losing players through suspensions which are hampering our selection possibilities.

"We need to work with the referees rather than oppose them; five cautions in a match you win 7-0 is ridiculous."

You can't take the competitive nature out of people, and nor do you want to on the field, but the players need to show some restraint.

"Each caution costs the club £10 a and a sending off £50 in county FA 'administration' costs, money a club like Bridport can ill afford to lose."

"The money the club pay out could be used on something different such as more kit, transport or a whole host of things."

"The club have been looking at the situation closely over the past month or so, and the managers have been asked to relay their thoughts to the players."

But at the end of the day it is down to the players to control their feelings."

Great season for Anders

SPEEDWAY and grass track racing sensation Anders Rowe has had yet another outstanding year on the track in 2010.

Eight year old Anders is sponsored by Impact Signs and attends Holy Trinity School in Weymouth. He recently won the Devon and Cornwall Championships, and last week found out that he had won the South West Youth Championships.

Anders, mascot this year for Swindon Robins and Newport Wasps, is in the process of having a Danish 80cc speedway bike built by his dad, Delwyn.

This is in preparation for the World 80cc Championships which he can race in when he is ten, in the summer of 2012. The Championships will see Anders competing in Denmark, Sweden and Poland.

Anders who has raced grass track every weekend since he was six, gears his life around his passion for the sports and will be competing in the under 15s 125cc section next year. Without a doubt he is on the right track for yet more superstardom in 2011.



WELL DONE:
Jason Fry from
Impact Signs, and
Anders Rowe
with his trophies

WEYMOUTH & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS

DIVISION ONE	Pld	Pts
Colliton A.....	8	182
Springfield A	7	164
Red Triangle A.....	7	151
YMCA.....	7	142
ASA.....	7	118
St Osmunds Crusaders	6	116
Civil Service A	8	116
Civil Service B.....	6	91
Shipton Gorge A.....	4	80

DIVISION TWO	Pld	Pts
Shipton Gorge B	8	177
Shipton Gorge C	8	115
Pilgrims	8	138
Colliton B.....	8	137
Preston A	7	134
Dorset Youth Service A.....	7	122
Springfield C	6	121
Springfield B.....	6	119
St Osmunds Sharks.....	6	104

DIVISION THREE	Pld	Pts
St Osmunds Hawks	6	155
Colliton C	7	152
Preston C	7	143
Budmouth B.....	7	131
Civil Service C	7	120
Preston B	7	117
Springfield Sons.....	8	117
Dorset Youth Service	7	84
St Osmunds Lions	4	69

Chance for ladies to kick off New Year and get fit!

WOMEN are being invited to banish their winter blues, and possible winter bulges, by playing football at the Thomas Hardy Leisure Centre in Dorchester in the New Year.

In partnership with the Dorset County Football Association, the centre is launching a women's six-a-side football initiative for ladies of all abilities and fitness levels to meet new friends, build confidence and, of course, get fit.

The scheme starts on Saturday January 29th and runs for ten weeks; each two-hour session promises to give a total body workout.

There's no need to have played football before, just be enthusiastic. By playing football regularly it will only take a few weeks before ladies notice an increase in fitness, as well as improved agility, balance, coordination and speed.

While many women may think of netball, hockey and tennis as more female friendly sports to get involved in, football is in fact the

most popular participation sport for women in England right now.

Forget any notions of beer-swilling 'ladettes', with women's football you can just be yourself, as Arsenal and England star Faye White (www.faye-white.co.uk) can testify. "Football has always helped me to meet people and build my confidence."

I think it's a great way for socialising and anyone can play the game, it doesn't matter what level you are you can just play."

Leader of West Dorset District Council Robert Gould said: "Playing football regularly not only offers numerous health benefits but as a team sport it's a great way to get out and meet new people."

We're pleased to offer women's football as the most recent addition to a range of recreational opportunities to improve the health and wellbeing of communities across West Dorset."

Starting on January 29th the course finishes on April 2nd. Sessions run for two hours from 3.30

pm - 5.30 pm at the Thomas Hardy Leisure Centre, Dorchester on the artificial grass pitch. Initial sign up cost is £25 per team and thereafter sessions cost £2 per player per week.

Don't worry if you aren't part of a team, you can still join up as an individual or with one or two friends and coaches will help you match up with other players to create your own team.

For more information or to enter a team please contact Liz Pill, Sports Development Officer on 01305 252 263 or via leisure@westdorset-dc.gov.uk

For more information about women and girls' football opportunities in Dorset go to www.dorsetfa.com or for further information about other classes running at the Thomas Hardy Leisure Centre visit <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/thomas-hardy-leisure-centre> or call 01305 266 772 or email thlc@westdorset-dc.gov.uk

RUGBY ROUND-UP

WITH KEITH JENKIN

No need to panic just yet

ONCE again the weather had the final say as far as the various league programmes were concerned on Saturday last, and all three local clubs had their games postponed, something that is beginning to cause concerns at all levels.

While one has come to expect one or two postponements due to adverse weather conditions in the course of a season, they usually occur during the months of January/February.

I do happen to know that Bridport have already had two games postponed, while Dorchester have lost no less than three. Weymouth have got off a

little better than their neighbours and have only had one postponement.

The second and third sides have not escaped unscathed and, if the clubs lose another couple in the new year, then they will have considerable difficulty in catching up by the end of the season.

Let's not anticipate a complete shambles at this stage however and hope that the weather gods will relent. It's as well to be prepared for the worst though.

In fact there will be very little competitive rugby played locally during the festive season, although

one or two clubs take part in an internal gallop, generally on Boxing Day.

Weymouth for instance throw their club house open, with anyone who turns up being guaranteed a run out if they bring a pair of boots.

The first Saturday of 2011 falls on 1st January, a day when many will be nursing hangovers, and the leagues resume on January 8th.

In the meantime may all have what they would wish for themselves this Christmas.

Ainslie back to winning ways

TRIPLE Olympic sailing champion Ben Ainslie saw a return to winning ways on Saturday, claiming one of Skandia Team GBR's three gold medals at the opening event of the 2010-11 ISAF Sailing World Cup series in Melbourne.

Ainslie's victory came amid a British clean sweep of the podium spots in the Finn class where he was joined by World Champion Ed Wright, who took silver, and Giles Scott in bronze position.

With the help of three wins in the nine-race qualifying series, the 33-year-old Ainslie, who is a director of the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, went into Saturday's double-points scoring medal race with a six point lead over Giles Scott, the World Championship bronze medallist and winner of summer's Skandia Sail for Gold World Cup event

at Weymouth and Portland last summer.

Ed Wright was just one point behind Scott in third heading in to the final race. "Ed was going right and Giles was going left. I went with Giles," recalled Ainslie of his medal race tactics.

"It (the wind) was slowly clocking left but there was a big right hand shift which lifted Ed."

Wright took advantage of the conditions to finish the medal race in second, which boosted him into second place overall, while Scott finished the medal race in third with a fourth place enough to hand Ainslie gold – his first since his return to Finn class racing this year.

Andrew Mills was Skandia Team GBR's fourth contender in the Finn medal race, finishing his regatta in eighth place.



■ BOUNCING BACK:
Ainslie in action in Weymouth during the summer.

Tough start for Dorch CC

Dorchester Cricket Club face a tricky opening to next season's Dorset Funeral Plan Premier League with four of their first five games against teams that finished in the top half of the league last season.

The county town who finished third season start their campaign on April 30th at home to Stalbridge who finished immediately below them before travelling to Poole, who were runners-up, the following week.

They then face tough home matches against Blandford and Broadstone, with an away fixture against Ferndown Wayfarers, who finished second bottom, sandwiched in between.

The 2nd XI travel to newly promoted Cranborne in their first Division Two fixture before hosting Division Three champions Poole Town 2nd the following week.

There follows a trip to Swanage before relegated Ferndown Wayfarers 2nd visit The Rec.

They follow that with a tricky trip to Bere Regis.

Newly promoted Dorchester 3rd's begin life in Division Five by hosting Corfe Mullen 2nd's. They then travel to Ferndown Wayfarers 3rds before Lymington visit Charlton Down.

Two way games follow at Relegated Pimperne and a tricky tie at Puddletown.



■ CLUTCH CONTROL: The driving skills of Charmouth driver Rex Ireland and his navigator Adrian Scadding from Bridport were put to the test in the recent Albert Clark Rally

Matt lands Gold



■ WINNER: Ex-Woodroffe School student Matt Palmer won gold at the recent World Kenpo Karate Championships held in Dublin. Report and more photos in the next edition of the View from Lyme Regis.

Bridport Skittles League

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday January 10th:
Portman Handicap Cup – 2nd round

Over 58s - 1st Round - no byes (eight winners each alley)

Monday, January 10th

Bridport Football Club - G Barnes; T Davis; B Adams; J Brooks; R Tuck; B Herbert; B Lee; Jo Scotton; P Scott; G Herbert; C Langdon; F Bowditch; A Tozer; V Burt; D Mauder; G Legg.

Wednesday, January 12th

Bradpole Club – A Huxter, L Farnham; K Sorrell; M Crabb; C Hopkins; A Wiscombe; N Pye; M Hansford; M Bollen; V Cozens; M Chivers; S Gale; G Brown; J Scotton; D Salter; B Legg; B Pye.

Dorchester & District Snooker League

Results as at December 19th:

Colliton Hopefuls 3 West Dorset Club A 5, WDC Whipping Boys 3 Purbeck Potters 5, Colliton XQ2010 2 West Dorset Club A 6, Trinity Gooduns 2 Colliton Nomads 4, Colliton XQ2010 5 Trinity Express 2, West Dorset Club C 2 Colliton Club B 4. 30+ breaks: M.Beale 45, M.Halford 42. (Top break of the season: Evan Wellman 69)

Team Handicap Knockout Cup

2nd Round: West Dorset Club A 0 Trinity Express 4, West Dorset Club C 4 WDC Whipping Boys 1, Trinity Gooduns 2 Colliton Nomads 4.

League U25 Knock-Out Trophy Final: Mark Beale (Trinity Gooduns) beat Stefan Fry (West Dorset Club C) 3-1 at Dorchester Con Club.

Reminder - League results: Results must be with the secretary by 9am on the Sunday following the match, failure to do so will result in 2pt reduction.

League table	P	W	D	L	Pts
Colliton Nomads	11	8	1	2	49
West Dorset Club C	10	5	2	3	39
Trinity Gooduns	11	5	1	5	39
West Dorset Club A	8	7	0	1	37
Purbeck Potters	9	5	2	2	36
Colliton XQ 2010	9	3	0	6	31
Dorchester Con Club A	7	3	1	3	30
Colliton Club B	9	4	1	4	28
WDC Whipping Boys	10	2	0	8	25
Colliton Hopefuls	6	1	1	4	21



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INSIDE: Perry Street League mid-season review

CUP FINAL CONUNDRUM

THE entire local football fixture list was not surprisingly decimated by the heavy snowfall that covered much of the country on Friday.

The next match to look forward to is Monday's Coronation Cup Final between Lyme Regis and Perry Street at Combe St Nicholas' Slades Cross Ground.

The Seasiders are the holders having demolished old rivals South Petherton 4-0 on last season's Boxing Day.

The road to this year's Final began back in late September with a stormy 4-2 win at Merriott Rovers with midfielder Mark Bailey smashing home a 30-yard free-kick and scoring twice from the penalty spot to complete his first ever hat-trick for Lyme.

The quarter-final three weeks later brought a trip to Combe to take on the Saints' second-string. Jason Hawker headed Lyme in front but Combe, who look destined for relega-

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tion this season, fought back and it took a late winner from Adam Caddy to decide the tie.

Last month's semi-final resulted in the same score line against Devonians Farway United. The match was played in snowy conditions with the Seasiders' first team making their first appearance of the season at the Davey Fort - the delay due to the ongoing changing room renovations. Star of the show was Steve Batey who bagged both goals.

Batey will be missing from the Cup Final line-up as he, and goalkeeper Ashley Caddy, will be amongst the 100,000 supporters watching the England cricket team in the fourth Ashes test against Australia at the cavernous Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Lyme manager Robin Townsend has

further selection problems. Defender Mark Batey is sidelined with a knee ligament injury, Julien Simier will be in his native France and Matt Laing is also unavailable.

Meanwhile the club is sweating on the Perry Street league officials verifying Malc Darby and Ben Whittington's eligibility as both have only played two league games so far.

Teenage Reserve team goalkeeper Will Meech will come in for Caddy.

A win for the Seasiders, who will still be strong favourites, would see them move to within one of the competition's all-time most successful team Merriott Rovers who have lifted the 58-year-old trophy on nine occasions. Squad (possible): Meech, Rowe, Darby, Clifton, Bailey, B.Whittington, Gostling, Ad Caddy (captain), R.Thompson, Hawker, Street, Fifer, Thirlwell, Brimcombe, J.Bond.

There's still sport at the Davey Fort!

■ FAIRFIELD Park resident Peter Lacy (77) was one of two people who took advantage of the winter conditions to brush up on their cross-country skiing prowess on Lyme Regis' redundant Davey Fort Ground. Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE



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